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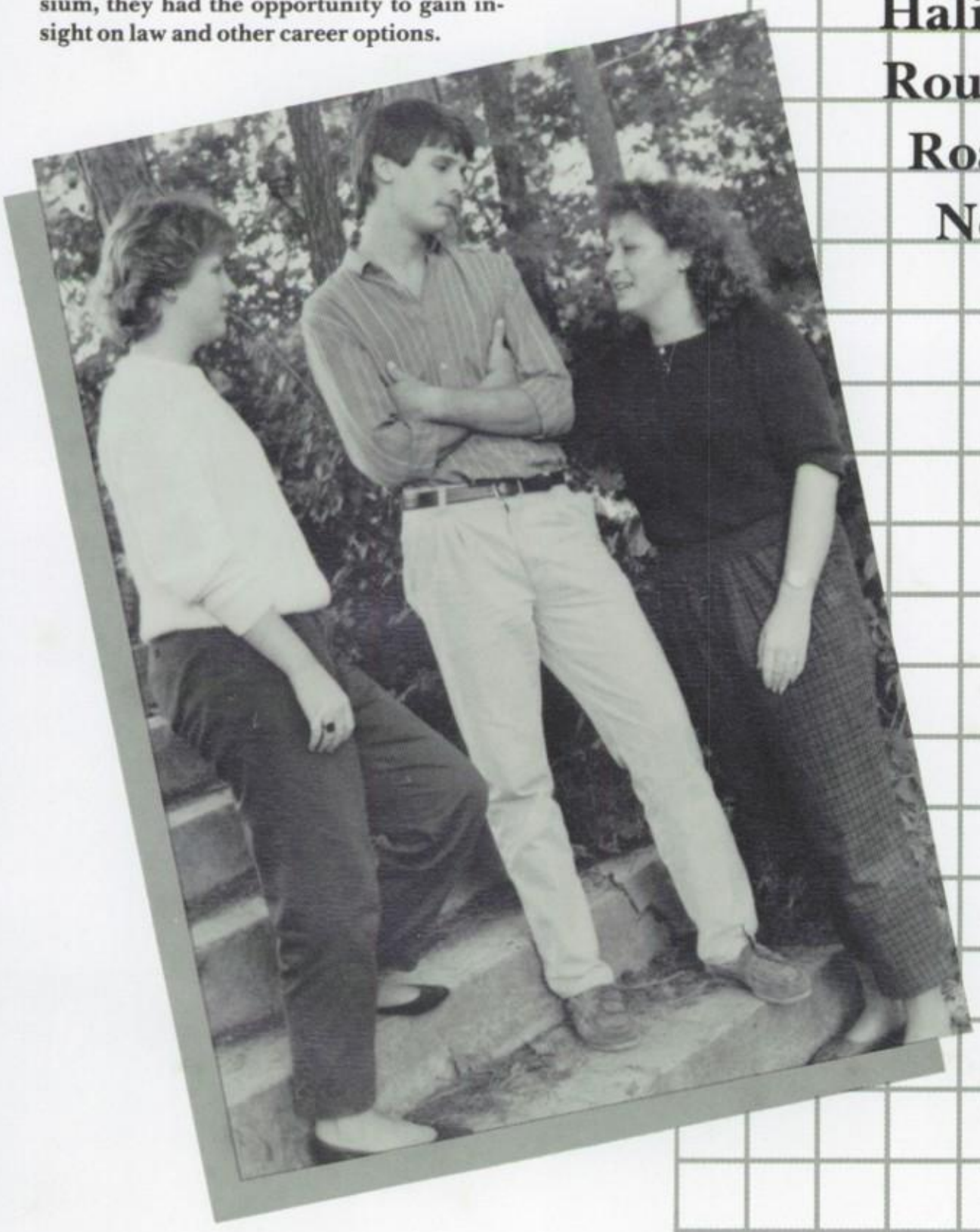
**AWAY FROM THE ROUTINE, Martha Wilson, Ronnie Keeter, and Kim Salmon visit the campus of UNC at Chapel Hill. As guests of the first Law Symposium, they had the opportunity to gain insight on law and other career options.**



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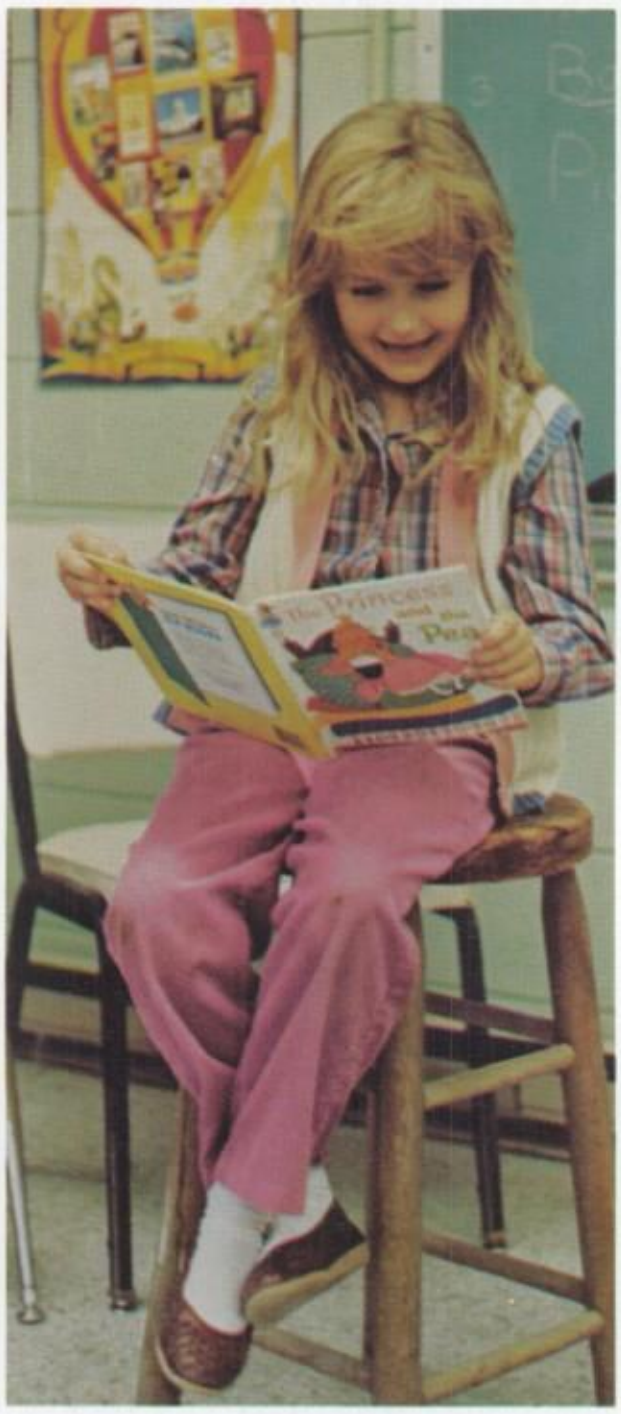
**IN THE MIDST of a rural community with Interstate 95 as a neighbor, alumnus Ted Garner demonstrates the area's heritage as he combines peanuts on a beautiful October day.**



**WITH ACADEMICS AS A PRIORITY, Susan O'Briant reads to her second-grade classmates.**

**THE SEPTEMBER SUN goes down on another busy day while Shelly Medlin awaits her ride home.**

was much more than a catchy phrase. With over four hundred students — the largest enrollment in the school's seventeen-year history — students, faculty, and staff discovered the phrase to be a vivid reality. Students from as far as an hour's distance away gathered to create a more varied "community of learning."

Remarkably, opening day set the tone for a trendsetting year. "This year has been such a challenge with much larger classes; however, this challenge is making our school an even better place for a good education." Mrs. Cathy Aycock, social studies teacher, expressed the view of most faculty members.

With expansion on the horizon, everyone still counted — in the classroom, on the field or court, and in activities. A real atmosphere of caring existed. "Teachers and students care about each other here. This school has changed my life." As with Cherie Johnson, that friendly, personal atmosphere, caring teachers, and a solid academic preparation made a substantial difference in many lives. A spirit of caring, a unique sense of togetherness — everyone was MAKING THE PIECES FIT.

**A THURSDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL PRACTICE concludes as the team members huddle and recite the Lord's Prayer.**

**SCHOOL SPIRIT often requires the extraordinary. Homecoming's Spirit Week produced the extreme in Anne Morris and Walt Burgwyn.**

*The largest enrollment in the school's seventeen-year history offers a bright outlook for Halifax Academy.*

Billy H. Mayo
Headmaster

# Personalities

Awesome . . . Wicked . . . Mega . . . Really beat . . .
Juicy . . . Diggem . . . Marvelous . . . Madonna . . .
Neon . . . Paisley . . . Swatch . . . Tina Turner . . .
Gumby and Pokey . . . Rattails . . . Bobs . . .
Costa Rica . . . Fat Boys . . . Class
Rings . . . Bryan Adams.

**PRIOR TO SPANISH II CLASS, Titian Quincy and Celeste Cooper enjoy a morning snack between classes. They found the break essential to survive their senior schedules.**

# class of eighty-six

Clyde Aycock
Gaston

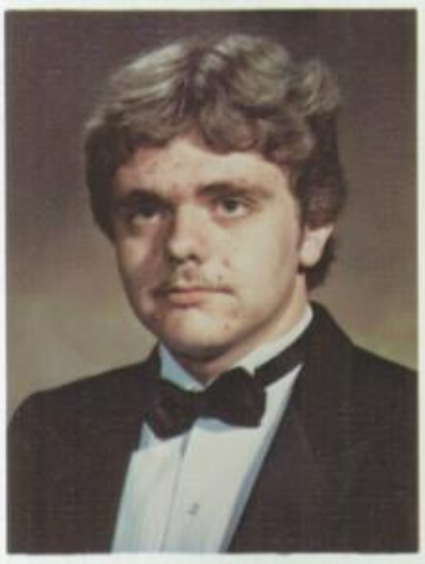
Brett Booth
Littleton

Melissa Branch
Gaston

Mark Brett
Halifax

Lee Clements
Gaston

Celeste Cooper
Gaston



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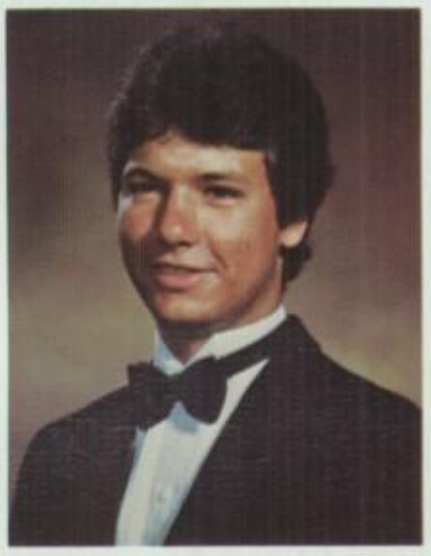
Roanoke Rapids

Lynn Dowell
Roanoke Rapids

Albert Etheridge
Roanoke Rapids



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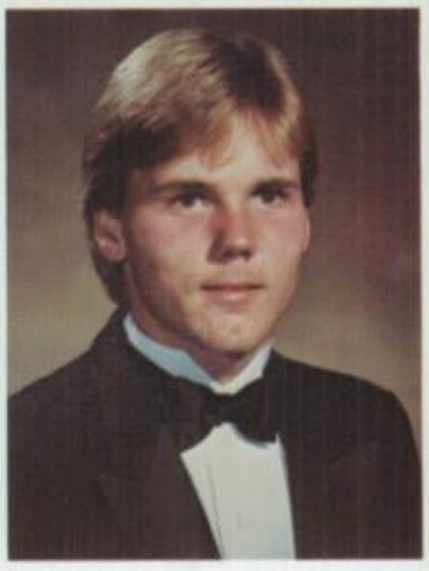
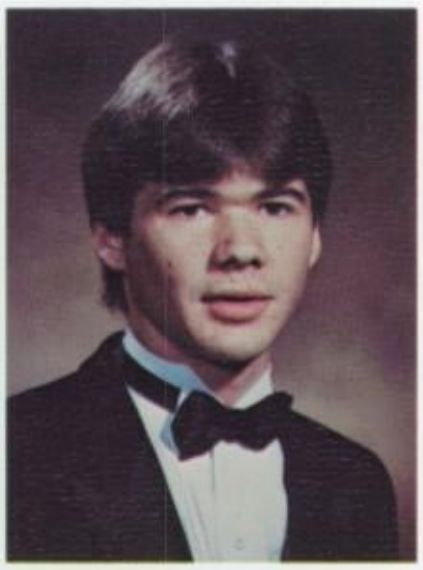
Roanoke Rapids

Fern Glover
Roanoke Rapids

Jeff Green
Darlington





Tony Grizzard
Gaston

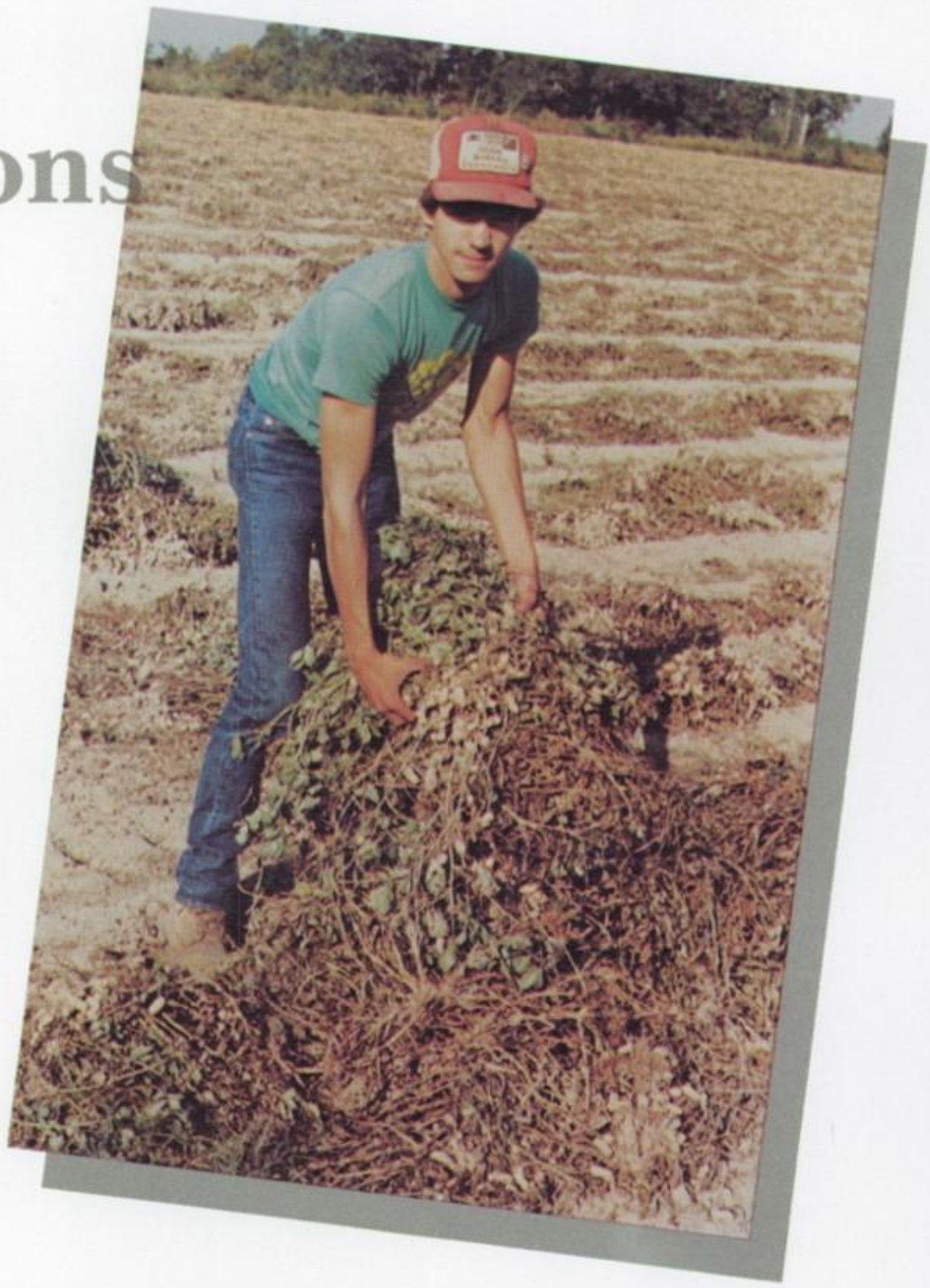
Debbie Hargrove
Roanoke Rapids

Charlie Harlow
Halifax

# Our wn ptions

"Plan ahead. Don't wait until the last minute." The students took advantage of these cliches in courses which prepared them for their futures. They were fortunate that for just about any profession they decided to pursue there was some kind of preparatory class to help them get a head start. From college-prep testing to playing in the great outdoors, the courses were theirs for the taking.

**ONE SENIOR PRIVILEGE allows students the opportunity to leave school at lunch for employment purposes. At harvest time and between a busy morning of classes and an evening of football practice, Jeff Inscoe worked on his father's farm.**



**NEAR THE END** of a hectic day of posing for portraits and environmentals, Debbie Hargrove and Karen Inscoe discuss the day's events while they await their next environmental poses.

**HOMECOMING FESTIVITIES** culminate at halftime of the Northeast football game as 1984 queen Tammy Podruchny relinquishes the title to Debbie Hargrove.

**SENIORITY PREVAILS** in the cafeteria line much to the pleasure of Scott Ingledue, Roger Jenkins, Mark Overby, Michael Smith, Buck Mims, and Tony Wood.

# you know you're a SENIOR when . . .

nothing goes right, but everyone tells you it's the best time of your life.

**— Buck Mims**

you think of the beautiful moments that you lived in the past grades.

**— Karla Montealegre**

in the lunch line, the teachers say, "Make room for the seniors."

**— Jenny Sharpe**

you look forward to graduation, but not the next day.

**— Pam Shearin**

you get more mail in three months than you've gotten in a lifetime.

**— Roger Jenkins**

EVERY day you have to write English papers.

**— Jeff Green**

you start to think that being a freshman again wouldn't be so bad.

**— Angie Howell**

the juniors leave trash all over the cafeteria, and you have to clean it up.

**— Mark Overby**

your teachers treat you as friends as well as students.

**— Ronnie Keeter**

you like going to school.

**— Angie Sorie**

you have to set examples for the younger crowd.

**—Tommy Wright**

you have to get a second job to pay for class dues, pictures, cap and gown, graduation invitations, and class trips.

**— Tony Wood**

there is no one in school older than you except the teachers.

**— Chris Smith**

the year actually matches the year on your class ring.

**— Lee Clements**

everything makes you cry and say, "This is the last time I'll be doing this."

**— Sallie Little**

you're at the end of the year when you thought you just had started.

**— Angie Sorie**

you get first choice of uniforms.

**— Martha Wilson**

going to college sounds more frightening than fun.

**— Angie Howell**

your parents buy you luggage.

**— Ronnie Keeter**

*"You know you're a senior when you're making the final piece fit."*

**— Titian Quincy**

**THE FINAL CONFRONTATION with rival Enfield is part of the senior year. Roger Jenkins and Jeff Green served as captains for that traditional battle.**

Joseph Harrell
Roanoke Rapids

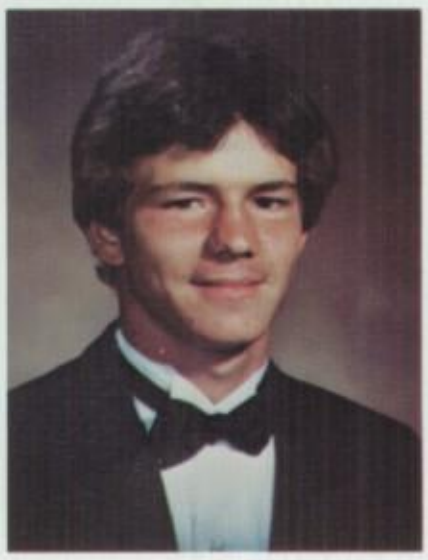
Melissa Harris
Littleton

Billie Haskins
Halifax

Angie Howell
Weldon

Scott Ingledue
Littleton

Jeff Inscoe
Aurelian Springs



# FATHER KNOWS BEST

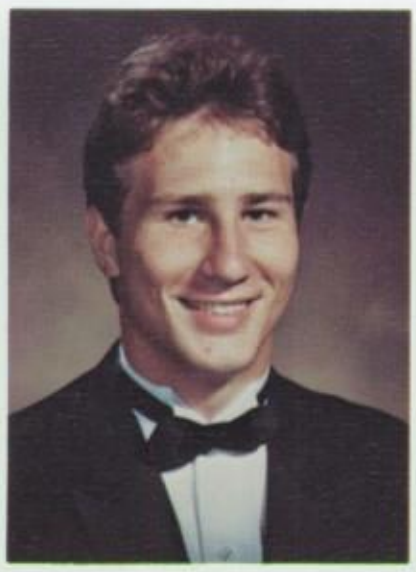
Homesickness was only one of the adjustments that had to be made by SHARE Exchange Program participant Karla Montealegre of Escazú, San José, Costa Rica. "My father wanted me to learn English," said Karla, who adapted quickly and became one of the H. A. family as well as the family of Titian Quincy.

Was the transition easy? "Yes," responded Karla, "I like the lifestyle, the food, the students, and the teachers."

**A FRIENDLY CHAT away from the customary rush allows Karla and Titian a chance to share a laugh in a quiet spot on campus.**

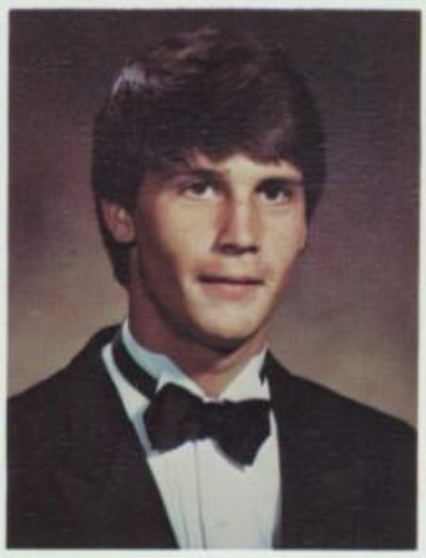
# class of eighty-six

Karen Inscoe
Aurelian Springs

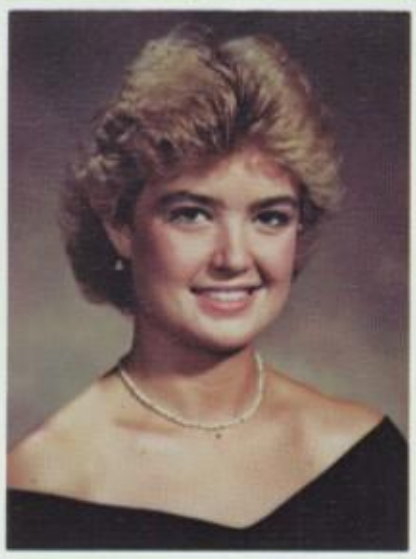


Roger Jenkins
Weldon

Pam Jones
Roanoke Rapids



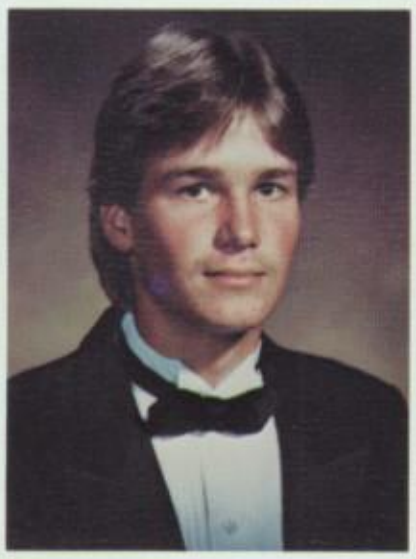
Ronnie Keeter
Aurelian Springs



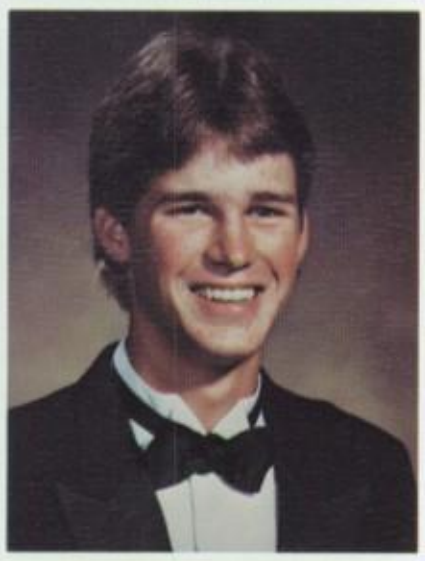
Sallie Little
Roanoke Rapids

Buck Mims
Weldon

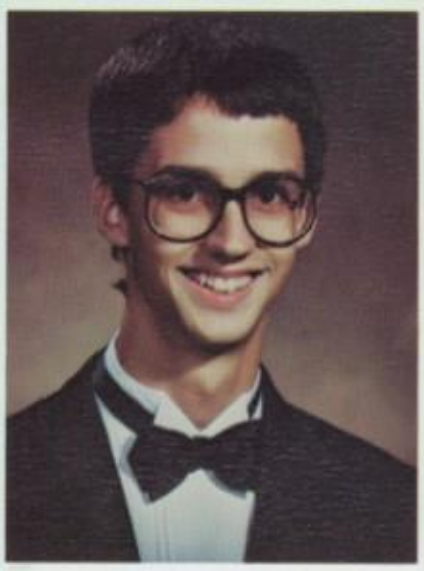
Karla Montealegre
Escazu', San Jose, Costa Rica



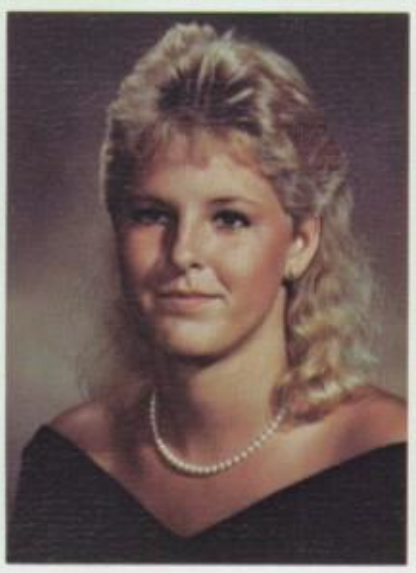
Doug Morris
Littleton



Ken Morris
Littleton



Mark Overby
Norlina



Suzanne Perry
Roanoke Rapids

Titian Quincy
Halifax

# Those Disappearing Dollars

Being a senior was not all fun; it was a year of many expenses. First of all there were senior portraits. The yearbook picture was free, but to buy any or all of the portraits cost an average of $100. The next most important expense was class dues. This fee was a major one that cost each senior $42.

October brought additional fees. Registration for the SAT (for most, a second time) meant an $11.50 charge. Furthermore, October brought the time to order caps and gowns, which were $11.75, and announcements, which ran an average of $45. Tassels cost $3 each.

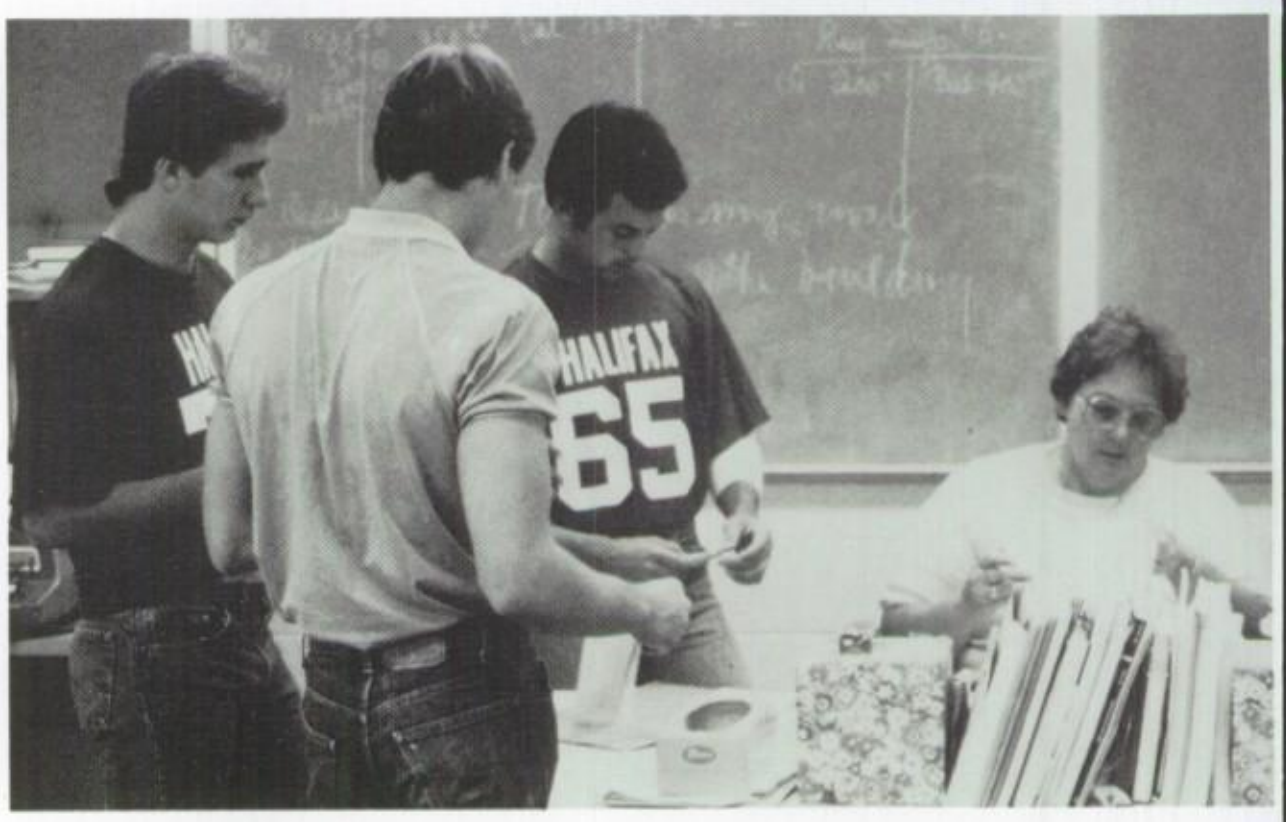
When spring rolled around, Prom was the main attraction. Prom dresses ran an average cost of $150 while tuxedo rentals ran around $70. The guys were stuck with the dinner bill of an estimated $35 and the cost of flowers, which was about $30.

Another cost that concerned seniors in the spring was the senior trip. An average of $40 was spent on that annual pilgrimage.

Throughout the year, seniors confronted various other expenses: college admissions applications were completed — many with application fees that added another $30 each. Another important cost was the $12 yearbook subscription.

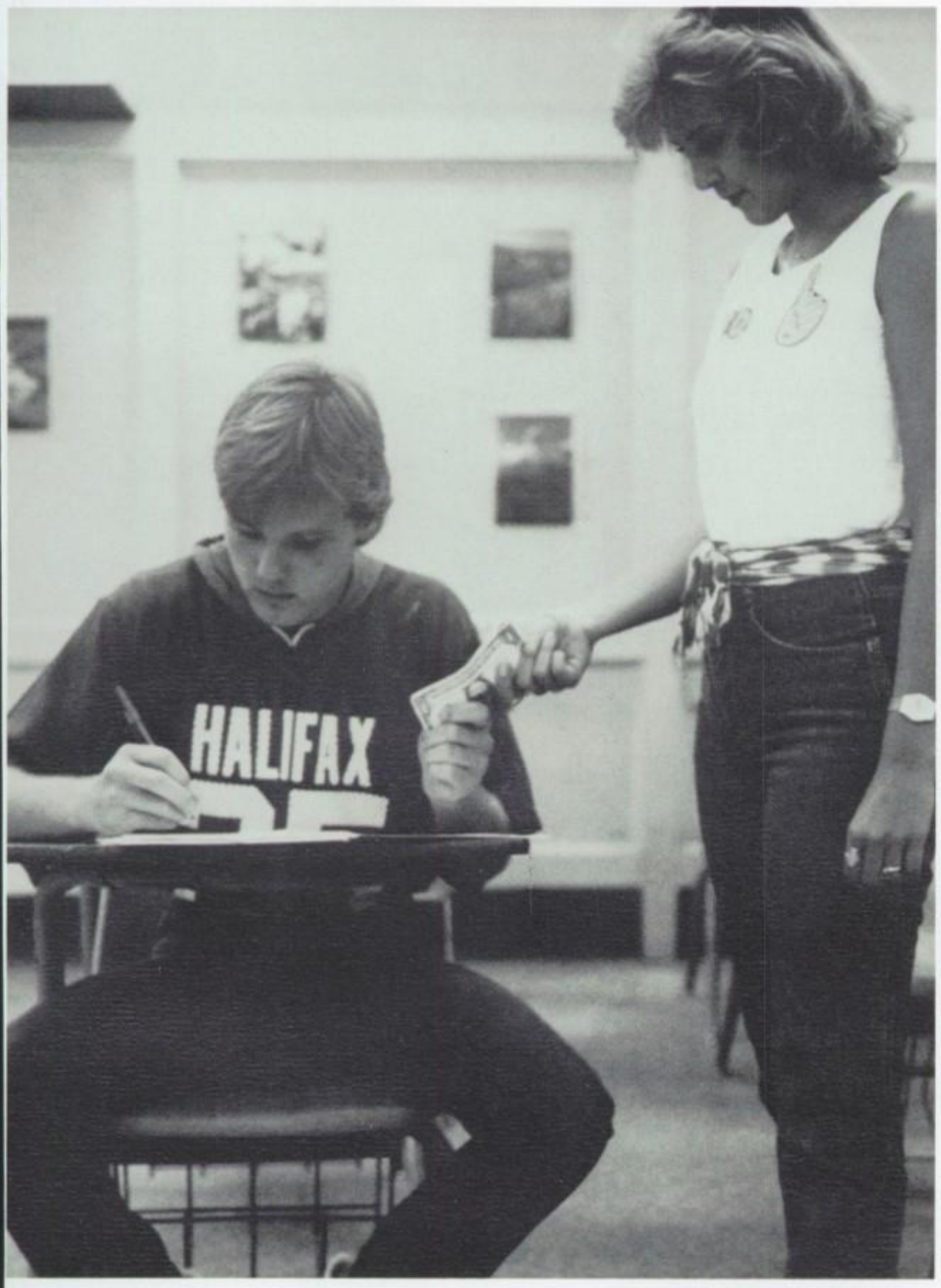
Thus, the overall estimated senior bill was $450 for the girls and $430 for the guys; nevertheless, seniors learned that the best things aren't always free!

**IMPRESSIVELY ATTIRED, then Junior Class Secretary Kim Salmon and President Ronnie Keeter introduce members of the Class of 1985 as they are presented during the Prom's Senior Walk.**




**WITH PORTRAIT ORDERS IN HAND, Roger Jenkins, Joe Harrell, and Tony Wood submit their orders and deposits to Mrs. Spragins.**

**THE REALITY OF GRADUATION captures Charlie Harlow as Mr. May of Herff-Jones measures his cap size.**



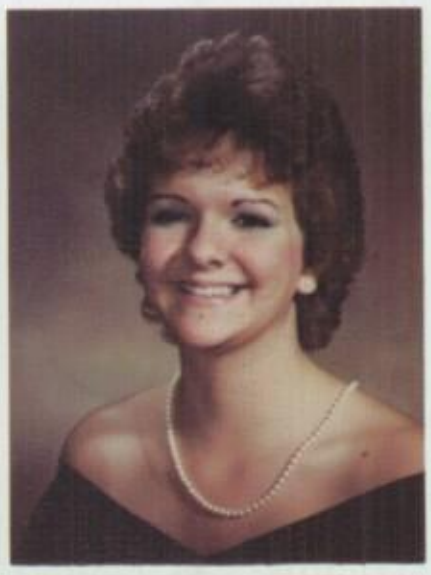
**CLASS DUES come to an end and reach a peak of $42, and Angie Sorie reluctantly meets the obligation by paying Jeff Green, class treasurer.**

**THE PORTRAIT ORDERS ARE IN, and Mrs. Spragins tallies them in preparation to mail them to Holyfield Studios in Winston-Salem.**

Melissa Rhea
Roanoke Rapids

Kim Salmon
Littleton

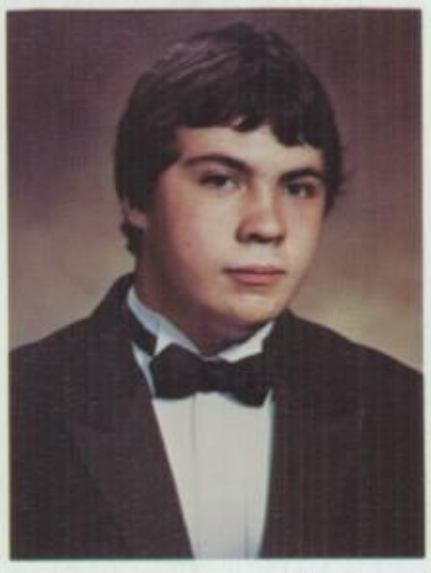
Jenny Sharpe
Halifax



Pam Shearin
Littleton

Chris Smith
Roanoke Rapids

Kevin Smith
Littleton

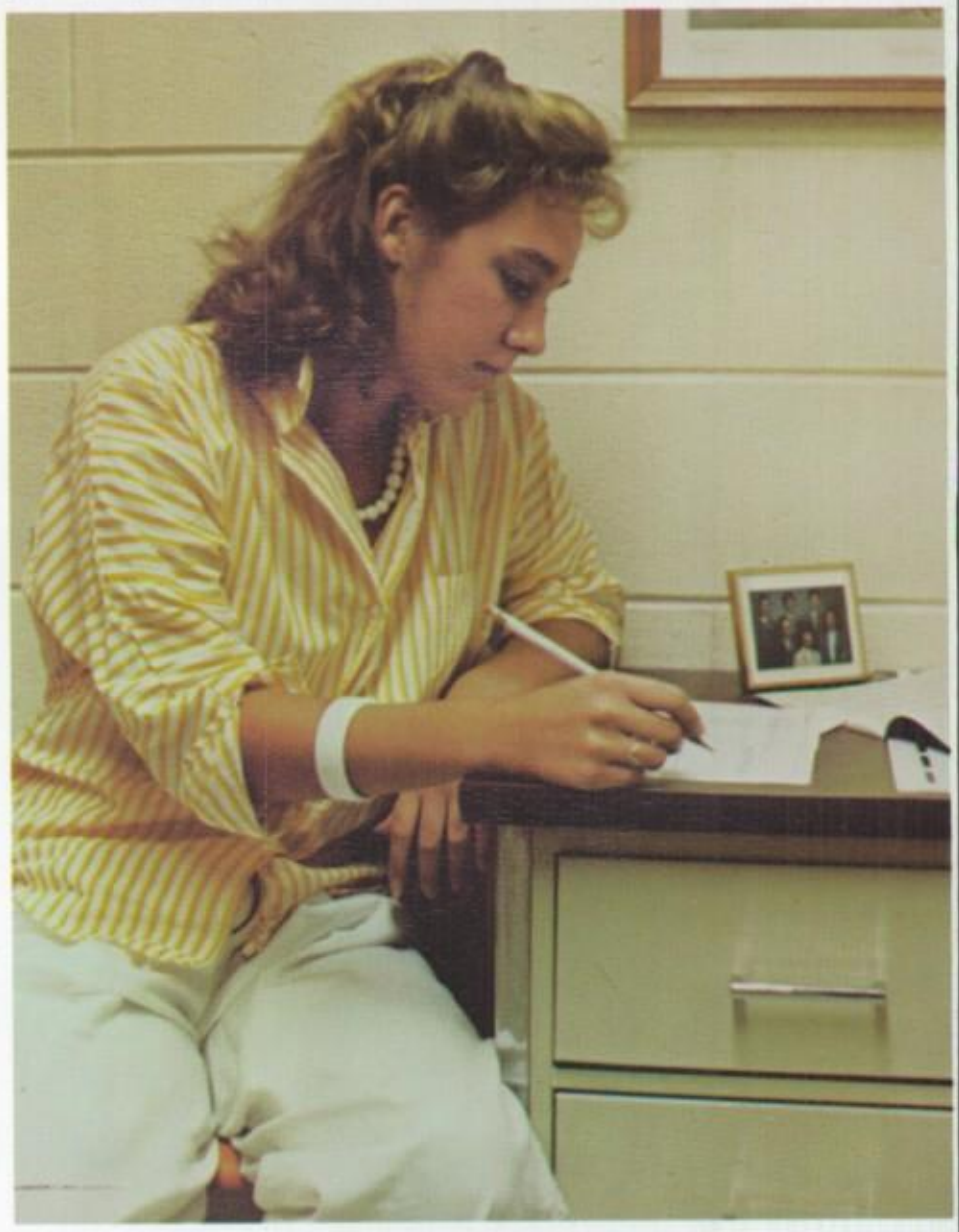


# "Same as above"

Future plans meant present action. Most seniors realized the demands of society and began to make application after application. "I began to hate my name and address," sighed Angie Sorie.

Registering for another shot at the SAT, surveying catalogs, interviewing, and waiting were parts of the process. Time raced on!

**FREQUENT VISITS to Mr. Nelson's office for guidance are essential for seniors. Registering for the SAT, Debbie Hargrove completed one step of the tedious and time-consuming process.**



# class of eighty-six

Melody Smith
Gaston

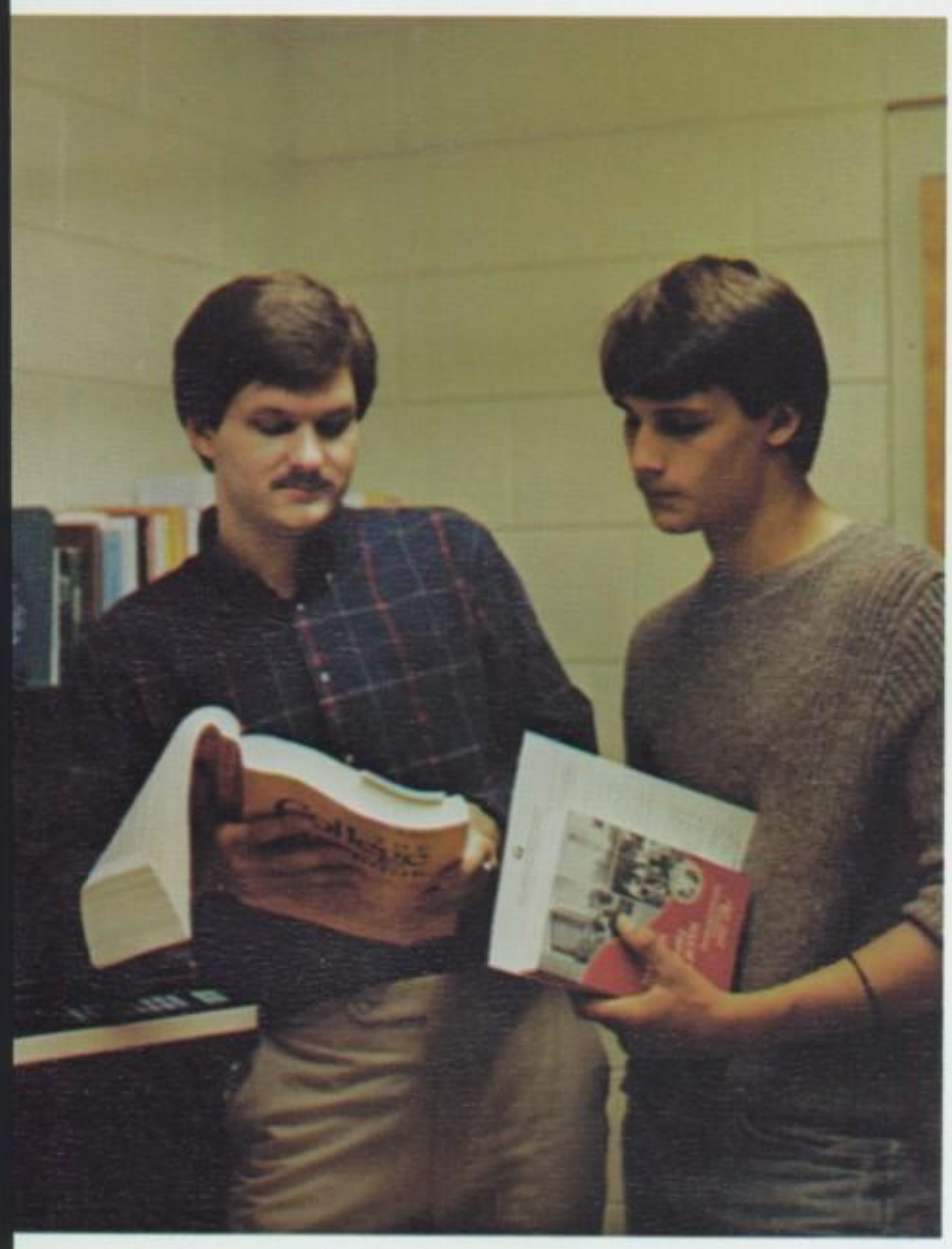
Michael Smith
Rocky Mount

Angie Sorie
Roanoke Rapids

Martha Wilson
Halifax

Tony Wood
Roanoke Rapids

Tommy Wright
Roanoke Rapids



**COLLEGE INFORMATION is available in numerous manners. Providing insight about Meredith College, admissions representative Joan Bunting responded to questions regarding the psychology major at Meredith.**

**AWARE THAT MANY FACTORS MUST BE WEIGHED in the college-application procedure, Mr. Rodney Nelson, guidance counselor, and Ronnie Keeter discuss requirements for admission to North Carolina State University.**

# But we know better

Before I came here, I heard that people here were snobs. Now I know better. I like this school better than any other school I've attended.

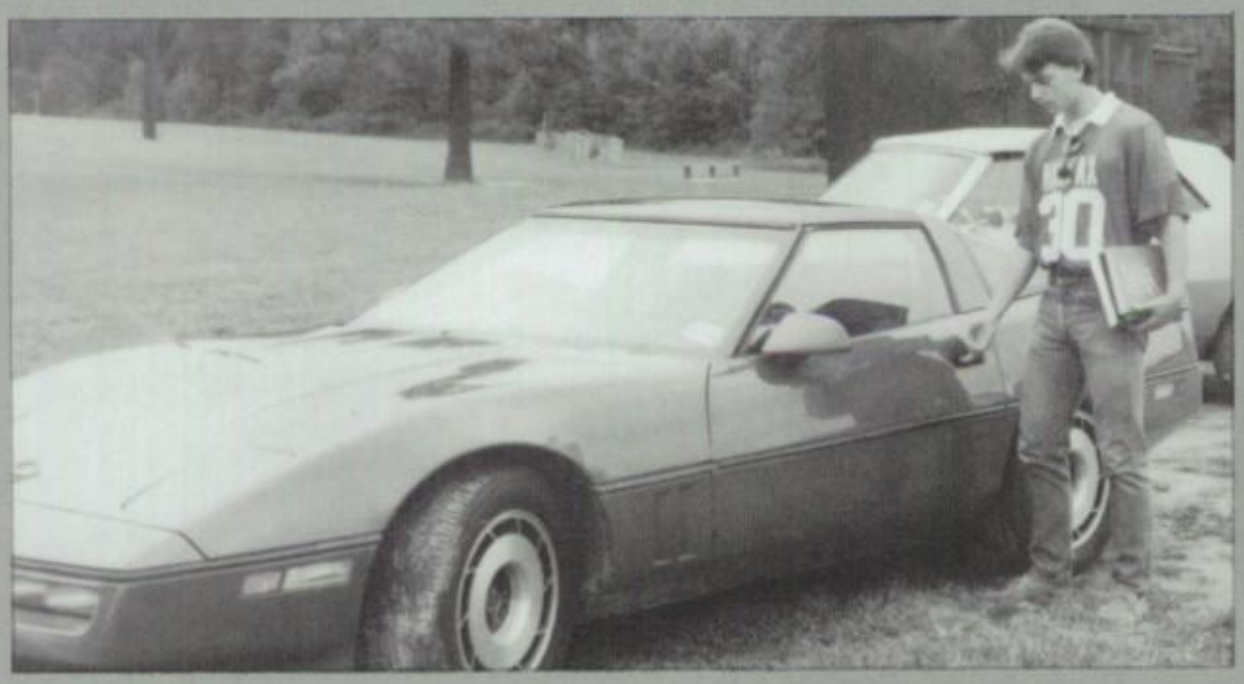
Terri Chichester

It's the same old story. A person expects one thing and gets another. If any transfer from another school is asked what his impression of Halifax Academy was before he came and then what his impression was after he settled in, the answer will reveal a difference of opinions.

Standing on the outside and peering inside, the outside focuses on the shiny red Corvette, the silver Firebird, and the pretty car with a dealer's tag and a sticker price still glued to the window.

On the other hand, the insider sees his 1968 Camaro or someone's mother's car dented on both the left and right fenders. He even prays that his car will start after school so that he can make it home for a break and back for football practice.

Furthermore, the insider soon prides himself on being a Viking. The spirit of caring and a unique sense of togetherness that go with the smallness makes the place special. That sense of togetherness goes beyond school activities and often creates a false impression. "I thought Halifax Academy people felt they were more important than other people. Now I understand why," explained Stacy Coggins. "People, especially the teachers, are more interested in you here." Only when outsiders get the "inside story" can they know that Halifax is **almost** just like any other school.



**HELPING TO MOLD THE OUTSIDER'S VIEW, Tommy Wright prepares to head to class and leaves his red Corvette to grace the parking lot image.**

**THE CLASS RING BROCHURE holds the attention of new student Michelle Allen while Patrick Qualls discusses his ring selection with Herff-Jones representative Mr. Tommy May.**

A SENIOR CLASS MEETING requires Melissa Rhea and Pam Shearin to share a seat. Sharing was a part of the Viking way of life.

SPRING EVENTS DELIVER SURPRISES! The spring of 1985 was no exception. Les Abshire and Joey White characterized the student body's morale during the powder puff football game.

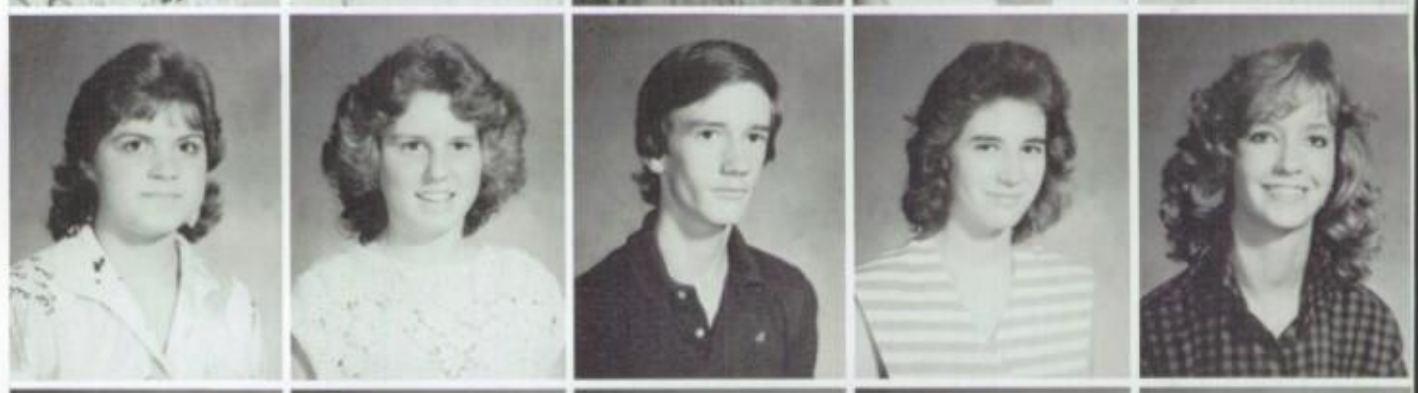
PARTICIPATION OFTEN DEMANDS SACRIFICE. Roger Jenkins' leg injury in the Kenston Forest football game had the attention of already injured Andy Liles, Mr. Alston, and a host of others.

THE TRADITION OF STRONG SCHOOL SPIRIT remains active. Punk Rock Day of Spirit Week brought out the best in the student body. Angie Sorie typified the attire of the day as she chatted during a morning break.

**THE DECISION TO PURCHASE A CLASS RING is a major one. Russ Taylor and Cherie Johnson contemplated the variety of styles and completed order forms during the busy Homecoming Week in October.**

Donna Abshire (11)
Amy Allen (9)
Jennifer Allen (10)
Michelle Allen (10)
Stephen Anderson (10)

Lynn Aycock (10)
Missy Balsley (11)
Ricky Barnes (10)
Lara Ann Barnhill (10)
Heather Beauford (10)



Tommie Jan Best (11)
Randy Birdsong (9)
Patrick Blankenship (11)
Doris Boseman (11)
Robbin Brewer (9)

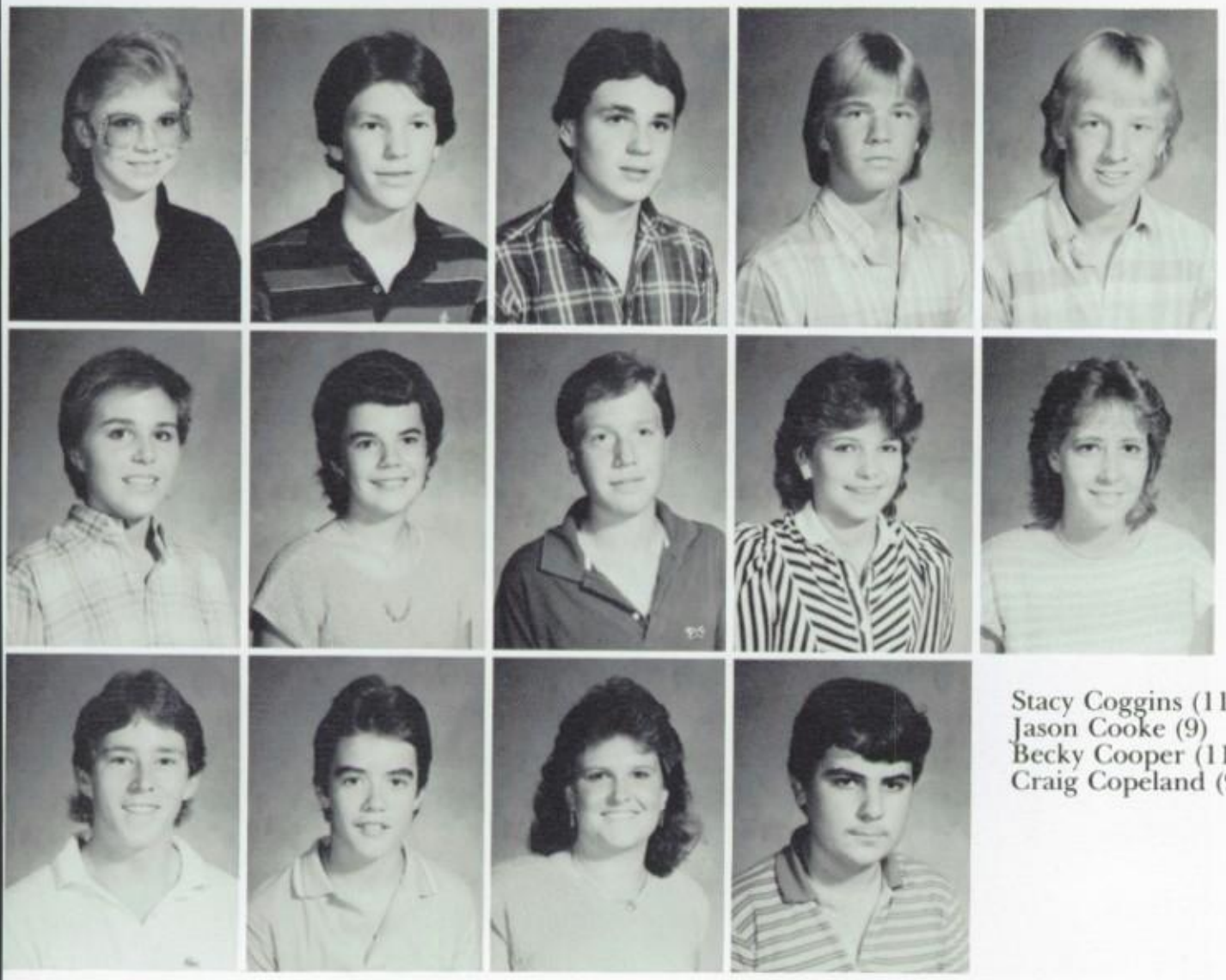
# HEAVY METAL

The joy of finally getting a class ring, a symbol of hard work that goes with the pleasure of earning it, seemed like a dream come true. Many sophomores bought their class rings during October and received them in the spring.

Buying a class ring involved many difficult decisions. Among those decisions was deciding on the cut, the color, and the type of gold.

A few sophomores did not get their rings; but those who did buy their rings were very proud of them, for their rings symbolized hard work and memories.

**THE CLASS RING REPRESENTATIVE'S ARRIVAL signals that graduation may eventually become a reality. Joy Harrison knew that her ring would one day be a treasure of memories.**

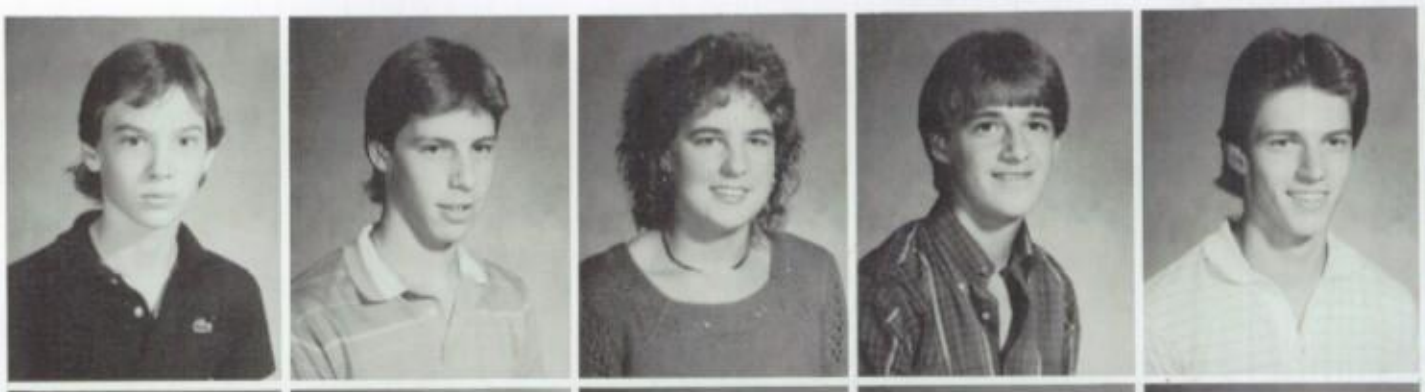


Tina Browder (10)
Charles Bryant (9)
Thomas Burgess (9)
Bo Burgwyn (11)
Walt Burgwyn (10)

Terri Chichester (11)
Lisa Claiborne (9)
Sam Clark (9)
Lynne Clements (9)
Laura Cobb (10)

Stacy Coggins (11)
Jason Cooke (9)
Becky Cooper (11)
Craig Copeland (9)

Clay Crawley (9)
Charlie Davis (10)
Tammy Davis (11)
David Dickens (9)
Wayne Edwards (11)



Wendy Etheridge (11)
Georgette Farrell (9)
Hayden Faucett (10)
Jan Gardner (11)
Belinda Garner (9)

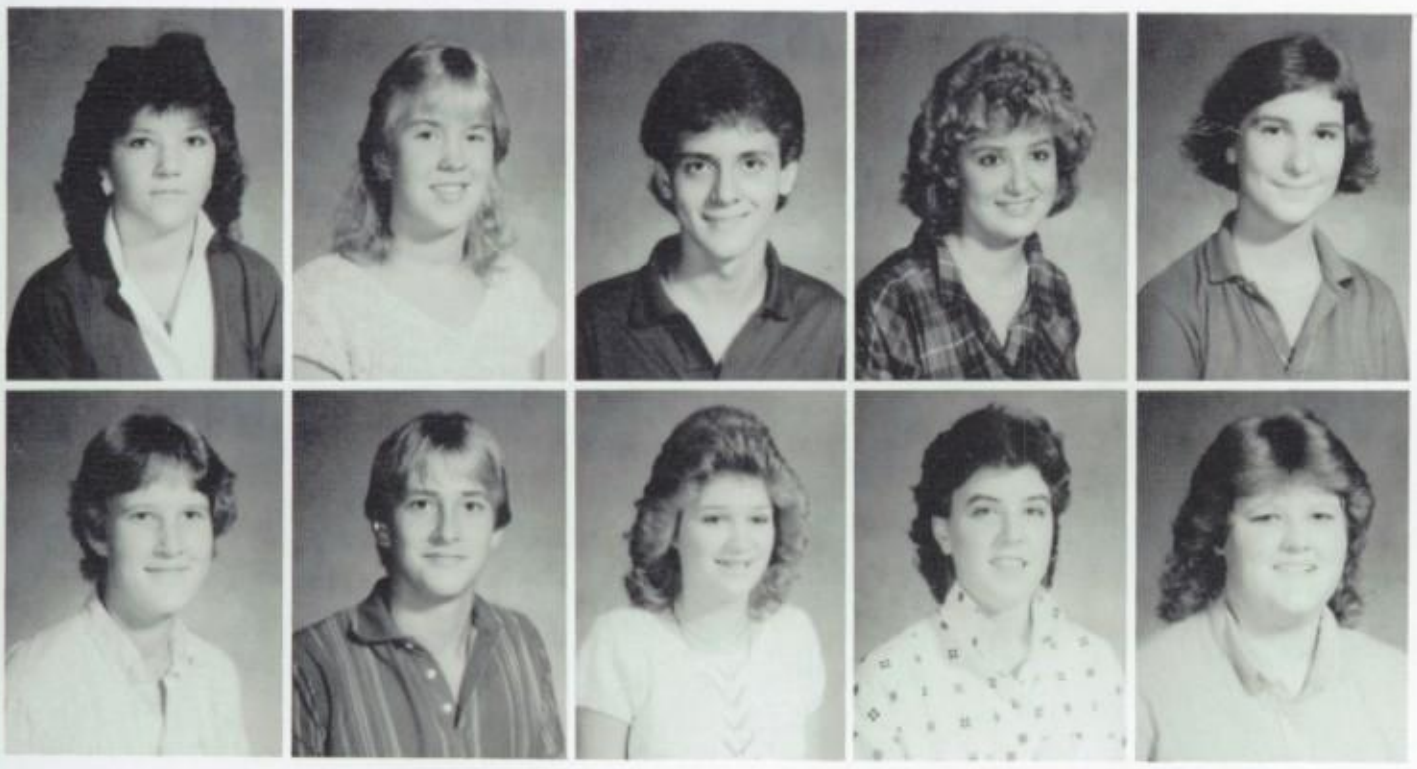
Mark Garriss (11)
Allen Gay (10)
Angela Gibson (10)
Angela Gordon (10)
Angela Green (10)

Sharon Gupton (9)
Jay Haigler (11)
Andy Hale (10)
Brady Hargrove (10)
Scott Harlow (11)

Diantha Harrell (9)
Amy Lou Harris (10)
Amy Lyn Harris (9)
Laurie Harris (9)
Joy Harrison (10)

Melissa Harrison (9)
Kevin Hawkins (11)
Taylor Hawkins (11)
Nora Leigh Hockaday (11)
Windy Hurst (9)

Tara Inscoe (9)
Shelton Jenkins (10)
Bobby Johnson (9)
Cherie Johnson (10)
Cliff Johnson (10)



Doris Joyner (9)
Tammy Kidd (10)
Rodney King (10)
Wendy King (10)
Tammy Lambert (10)



Tina Lassiter (10)
Andy Liles (10)
Melissa Lucas (9)
Traie Mayo (11)
Martha Meadows (11)

# LET ME SLEEP

Within the warm recesses of the bed, the student greeted the rising sun and knew that his desire to hibernate could not be granted. The morning ritual had to begin. Awakened by cool water, the student's blood began to course through his veins. A glass of milk or a hot cup of coffee fueled the brain as the student hoped that he would not wear the same clothes he had worn the day before. A frantic dash placed him in the control of the yellow monster. Jostled up the highway, he contemplated the day that awaited him. Transportation by bus, for driver and passenger, encouraged the cry, "Let me sleep!"

**THE BIG YELLOW MONSTER represents more than a mode of transportation. Buck Mims and his passengers discovered the ups and downs of getting up earlier and returning home later.**

# Tin Grins Are In:

Braces, which were once rarely seen, have almost become a necessity for everyone. People from ages five to forty-five can be seen with "tin grins." When students were surveyed, the results indicated that 47% of them have braces or have worn them. In doing other surveys, it also was discovered that the average cost of wearing braces was $2,000. The average treatment period was two years and the

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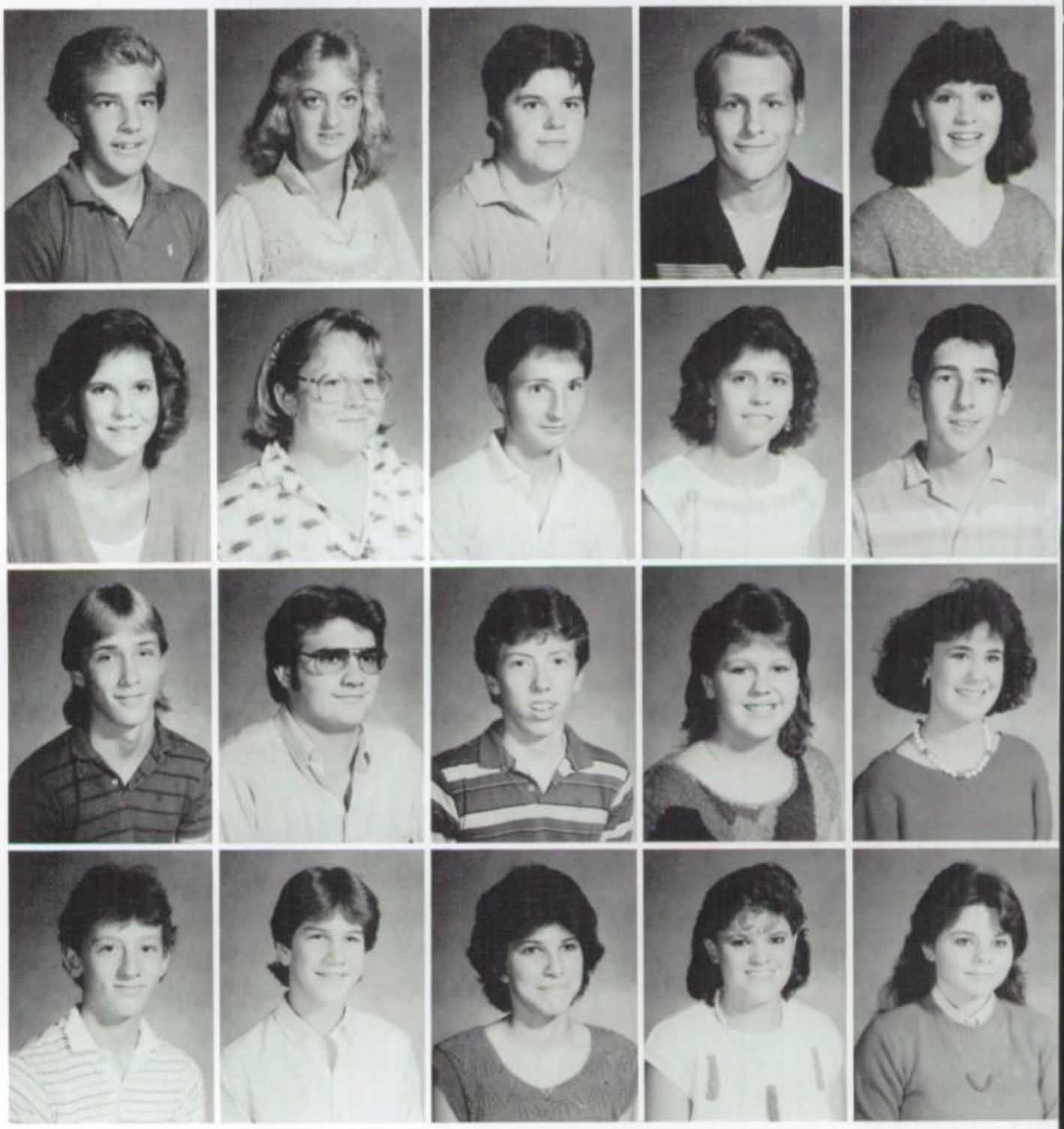
**WITH AND WITHOUT BRACES Felicia West and Chris Phillips share the glare of the life during and after that glorious dental work.**



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Aimee Phillips (10)
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Denise Pittard (10)
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Chuck Podruchny (9)
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Rhonda Ray (10)
Ashley Riggan (10)

Marc Roberson (10)
Art Rook (10)
Kaye Rowland (10)
Jennifer Salmon (9)
Melissa Scott (9)

# So Brace Yourself!

patients made monthly visits to the orthodontist to have adjustments made. When asked her opinion of braces, senior Sallie Little said, "I gave up eating a lot of fun foods, but in the end the sacrifice was worth it."

**A FRIENDLY CHAT with Dr. K.T. Miller is a part of Anne Morris's monthly visit. Of course, Anne found it difficult to make the conversation two way!**

David Shearin (10)
Johnny Shearin (11)
Paula Shearin (9)
Bobbie Jo Smith (10)
Cameron Smith (10)

Shane Spragins (9)
Sieglenda Stephens (10)
David Strickland (11)
Russ Taylor (10)
Valerie Taylor (11)

Wayne Taylor (9)
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Renee Vester (9)
Bert Warren (10)
Susan Warren (9)

Joey White (11)
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John Allen (7)
Ryan Aycock (6)
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Elizabeth Boyd Balsley (7)

Sam Bell (8)
Kim Brown (8)
Penny Bunch (8)
Annie Chalmers (7)
Anne-Marie Chichester (6)

Bill Cooke (7)
George Cooke (7)
Joey Copeland (6)
Kevin Copeland (8)
Mickey Cox (6)

Lori Davis (8)
Mark Dickens (7)
Brian Dunlow (6)
Daryl Dunlow (7)
Woody Elder (8)

Timmy Etheridge (6)
Sara Forehand (6)
Melissa Garriss (8)
Jonathan Grant (7)
Anthony Green (6)

Scott Griffin (8)
Susan Griffin (6)
Allen Guidry (7)
Tracey Hale (8)
Kevin Hales (7)

Jack Hall (8)
Donnie Harris (6)
Robbie Harris (8)
Shelly Hilliard (7)
Daniel Howell (6)

## The decision was style, not brand, as students

# Switched To Swatch

From paisley to plaid and from black to multicolored, Swatches were colorful Swiss watches that definitely made fashion statements. Often described as "chic plastique," "Swatches are inexpensive and are fun to wear and trade with friends," said Rhoda Kittner.

**AS EVIDENCE OF THE STYLES available, Tammy Davis's arm is a sign of the time with the popular Swatches and Swatch guards.**

Becky Hudson (8)
Amy Inscoe (8)
Melinda Jones (7)
Laura Johnson (7)
Martha Johnston (7)

Dana King (7)
Rhoda Kittner (8)
Robin Lancaster (7)
Jo-Lynda Leonard (7)
Kevin Limer (7)

John Little (8)
Jamie Livingston (8)
Jolie Lofton (8)
Buck Lucas (6)
Paul Luter (6)

Raymond Mason (7)
Kim Mayo (7)
Shelly Medlin (8)
Buzzy Miles (6)
Michelle Miles (6)

Robbie Morris (6)
Cindy Neal (7)
Ted Newman (7)
Chris Norvell (7)
Paul Nowell (8)

Nicole Ogburn (6)
David Pearson (6)
Sherri Pearson (8)
Scott Phillips (7)
Jonathan Pittard (7)

Jennifer Powell (6)
Julie Pridgen (8)
Jay Qualls (8)
Douglas Rawlings (6)
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Michael Rightmyer (6)
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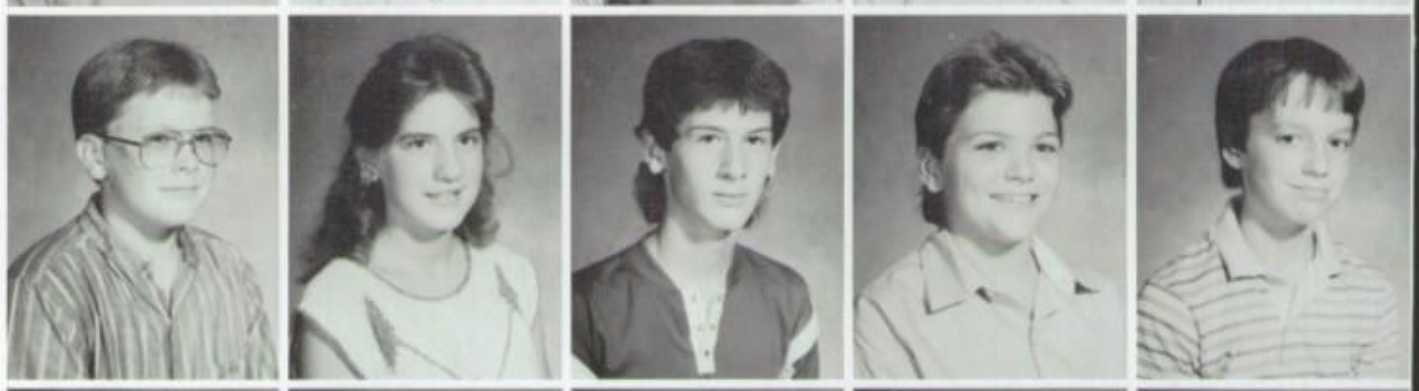

Rodney Robertson (8)
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Steve Salmon (8)
Heather Shearin (6)

Anna Smith (7)
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Dana Sorie (8)
Tony Talley (7)
Britt Taylor (7)

Christine Taylor (8)
Jamie Taylor (8)
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Angie Wade (6)
Jeff Wardsworth (7)

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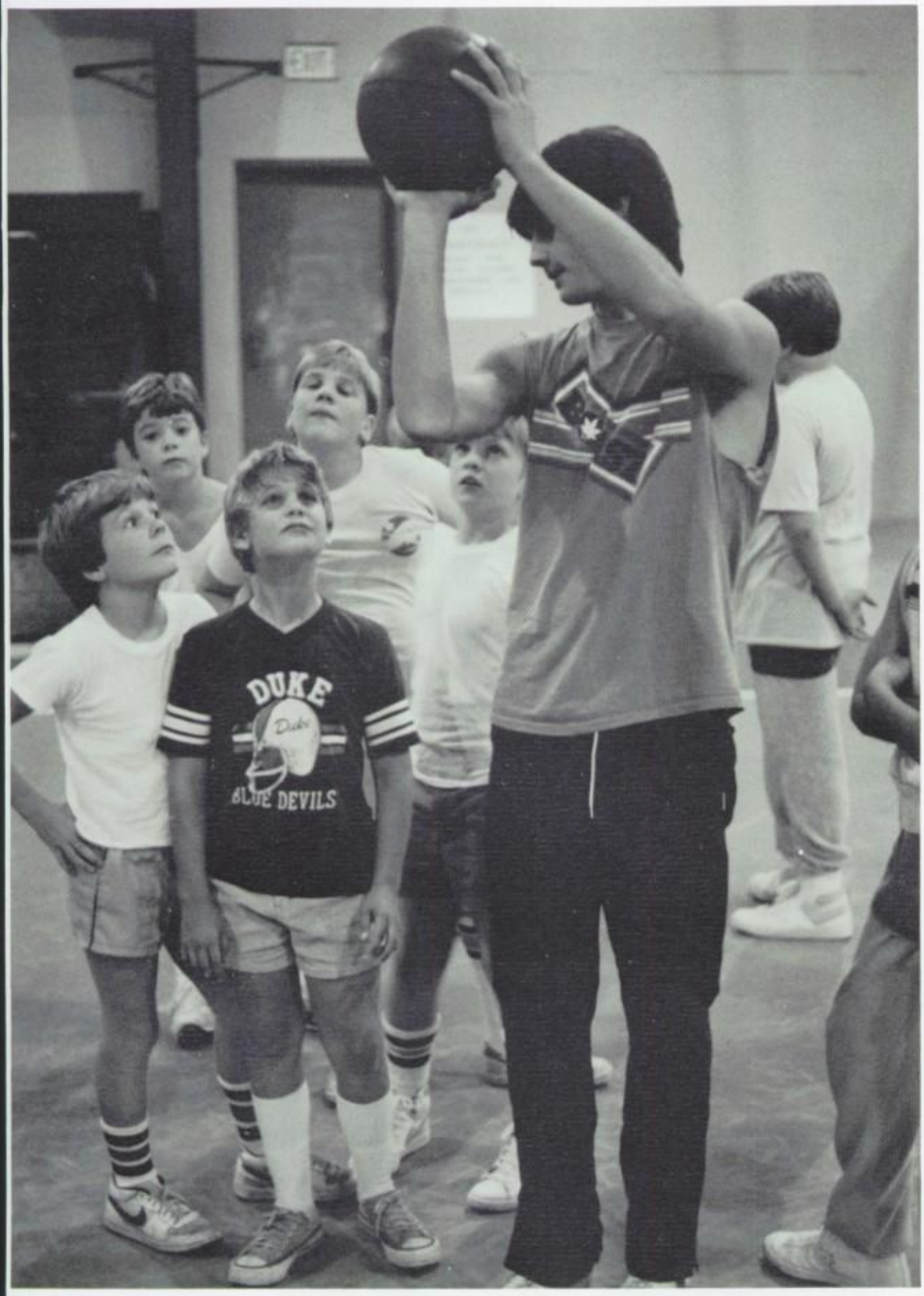


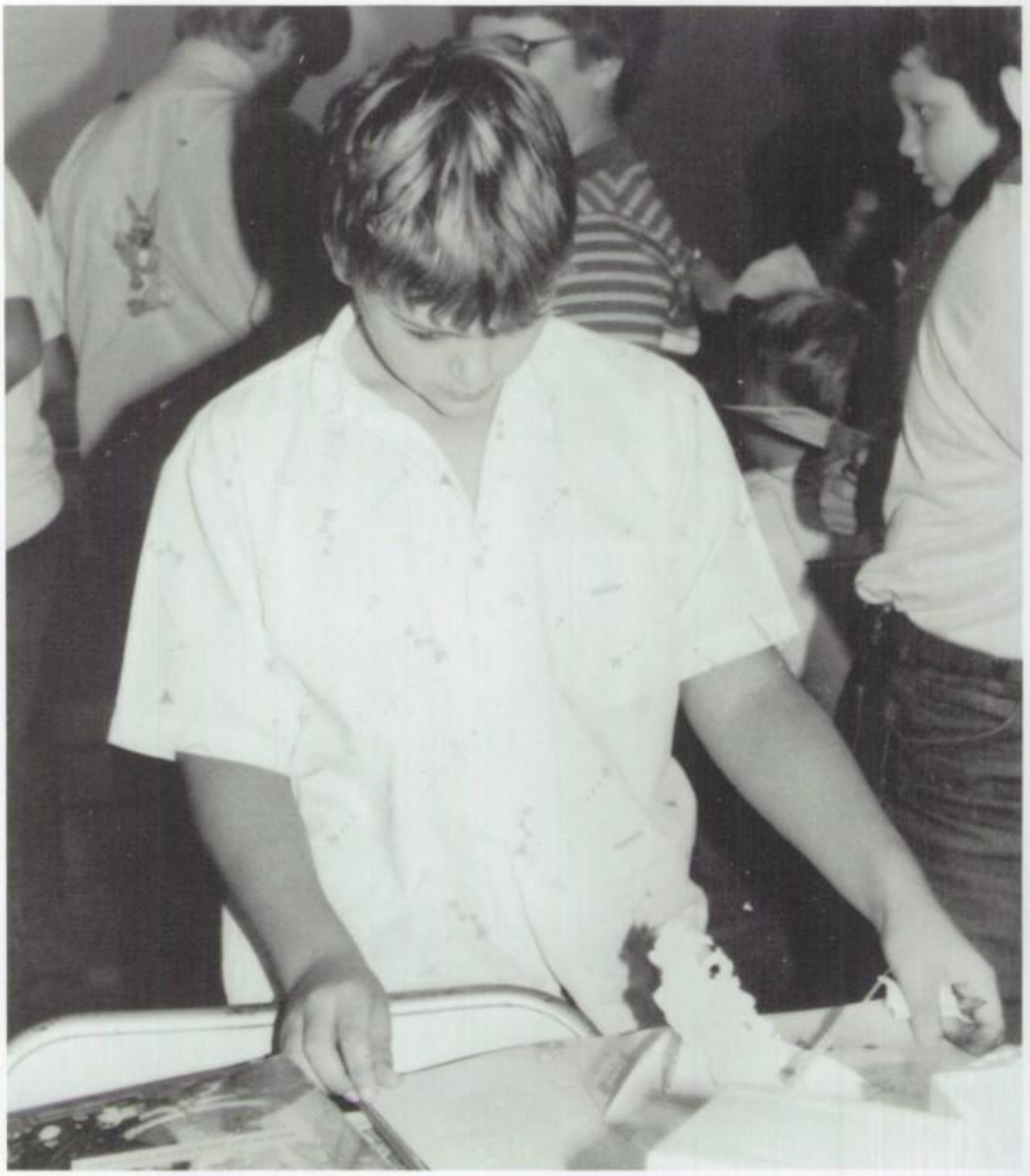

# Time away from cartoons

The basketball stars of the future were trained on Saturday mornings from November to February. Not only was the program open to boys this year, but girls were also able to participate. The major purposes of the program were the building of character and the teaching of basketball fundamentals, besides competition. One of the student leaders, Ronnie Keeter said, "I like working with little kids and teaching them things they don't know." Fifth-grader Mitch Hales added, "Not only do we have fun, but we learn the importance of good sportsmanship." The program, sponsored by the Guidance Department, was beneficial to both advisers and participants.

**FUNDAMENTALS OF SHOOTING are demonstrated to Saturday morning basketball participants by Ronnie Keeter, a student leader of the program.**

**MATERIALS FROM BOOKS TO POSTERS create another successful book fair. Michael Rightmyer was among the interested sixth graders who benefited from the experience.**

**AWAY FROM THEIR DAILY ROUTINES Nicole Ogburn and Ryan Aycock discover items of interest.**



Crystal Allen (1)
Jeff Allen (3)
Lane Alston (K)
Rebecca Baker (2)
Renee Barnes (3)

Suzanne Bell (K)
Nichole Browder (2)
Ben Brower (1)
Lauren Buffaloe (K)
Sarah Buffaloe (5)

Marvin Butts (5)
Rodney Butts (1)
Sarah Byrd (K)
Craig Carico (1)
Melissa Carico (5)

# Read all about it!

From September 27 through October 3, a book fair was sponsored by the fifth grade for students in grades K-7. The book fair, held in the school cafeteria, turned a profit of $287; this money was put toward classroom purchases. A huge assortment of books along with posters, calendars, tapes, and a variety of other items were available. "The whole experience was fun for the children, and it also motivated them to read more for pleasure and to develop skills," stressed Ms. Harlow, chairperson of the event.

**THE DISPLAY OF BOOKMARKS captures the attention of Anne-Marie Chichester and Elena Williams.**

Cam Chalmers (4)
Brian Cieslinski (4)
Amy Clements (2)
Crystal Collins (2)
Melanie Conner (1)

Kevin Cooke (5)
Michael Cooke (5)
Ellis Crew (K)
Shondrea Crew (K)
Stacy Crew (5)

Adrienne Daniels (3)
Jason DeBerry (5)
Donna DiAngelo (5)
Karen Dickens (3)
Matt Dickens (3)

David Dixon (5)
Clint Edwards (3)
Donna Edwards (4)
Gary Edwards (5)
Paul Elder (5)

Joey Elias (1)
Brad Etheridge (2)
Angel Ferguson (2)
Jay Ferguson (5)
Brandy Garner (1)

Mark Garner (2)
Tiffany Garner (5)
Wil Garner (1)
Cliff Genthon (K)
Ginny Genthon (4)

Billy Gentry (P)
Summer Gentry (3)
Jennifer Glasgow (2)
Brandon Haigler (2)
Angela Hale (2)

Kelly Hales (4)
Mitch Hales (5)
Elizabeth Harp (1)
Alice Harris (P)
Brad Harris (3)

Henry Harris (3)
Julie Harris (5)
Tony Harris (P)
Monica Hawkins (4)
Nicholas Hawkins (K)

Kenny Heaton (2)
Jennifer Heckel (1)
Meredith Heckel (3)
Todd Hedgepeth (K)
Laura Hubbard (4)

Marty Hurst (5)
Amy Hux (2)
David Iles (5)
Danny Inscoe (2)
Jamie Inscoe (3)

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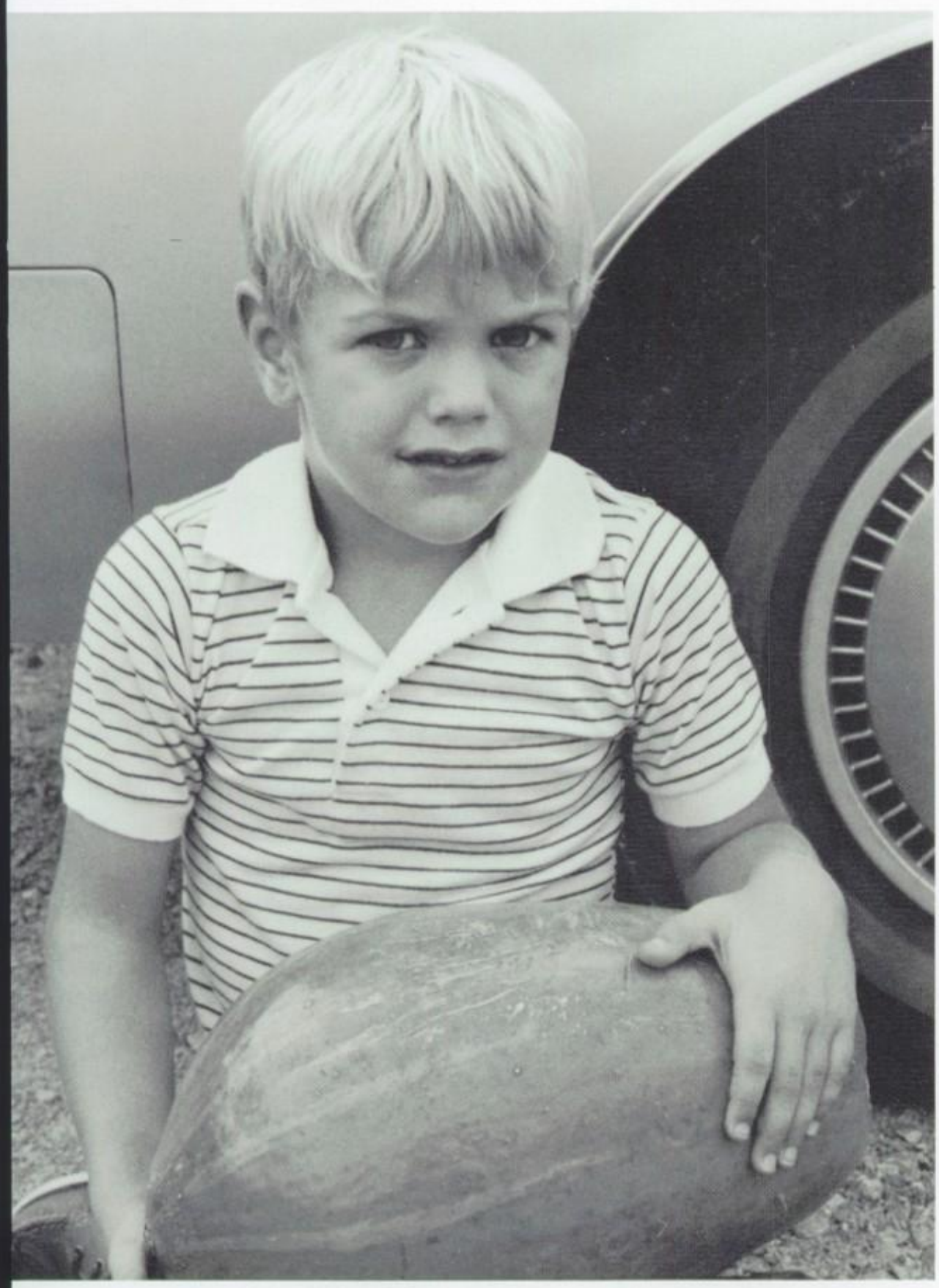

# The Great Pumpkin Hunt

The most sincere pumpkin patch in the world has to be the one located one mile inside Virginia and owned by Lois and Carol Allen. October 24, 1985, was an exciting and eventful day for the kindergarten through third grades when they paid a visit to the farm. The visit included a tour that gave the children an opportunity to see farm equipment and animals. For one dollar, each child picked out any pumpkin he wanted and could carry. When asked about the trip, Elizabeth Wommack said, "I liked picking out my own pumpkin and riding the activity bus."

**BACK FROM THE HUNT and exhausted with his big catch. Nicholas Rightmyer kneels to rest on his return to the kindergarten trailer.**

Chad Jordan (1)
Karen Joyner (4)
Olivia Keener (5)
Stacy Keeton (2)
Luke King (1)

Marc King (2)
Robbie Lancaster (P)
Ronnie Lancaster (2)
Chris Letters (3)
Shawn Letters (5)

Kelly Livingston (5)
Tammy Mann (3)
Will Mann (5)
Jessica Mathis (K)
Frank Meacham (K)

Chrystal Medlin (P)
Shelly Medlin (P)
Devon Miles (1)
Renee Miles (1)
Tracey Miles (2)

# Viking Monarchs

Halifax Academy's reigning monarchs for the 1985-86 school year were Ellis Crew and Sarah Byrd (K-3 Division) and Julie Harris and Lee Ross (4-6 Division). All four winners were awarded trophies; in addition, the older king and queen received $25 gift certificates.

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**AFTER DAYS OF FUNDRAISING, Sarah Byrd and Ellis Crew savor the victory.**

Jeanie Minton (K)
McKibbin Moody (1)
Ashley Moran (3)
Jason Morris (4)
Shannon Newsome (4)

Ora O'Briant (P)
Susan O'Briant (2)
Brandi Ogburn (2)
April Pearson (P)
Michael Pearson (K)

Tim Pearson (P)
Donna Pittard (1)
Randall Pittard (1)
Shannon Pittman (K)
Leigh Podruchny (3)

Kimberly Powell (4)
Tony Rawlings (4)
Stephanie Ray (K)
Seth Rhea (P)
Jamie Rhome (4)

Flowers and a crown were given to Sarah Byrd and Ellis Crew respectively. Raffles, jars placed in stores, and parental assistance were just a few of the methods used by the participants to raise $2,000 for the annual Fall Festival, sponsored by the Patrons.

**AFTER CAPTURING THE TITLE of their division, Lee Ross and Julie Harris relax from the busy events of the Fall Festival.**

# "Squeaky" Experience

Guinea pig, for research only? The experiment in the kindergarten was quite different. Squeaky, their pet guinea pig, provided a wonderful learning experience. Rachel Byrd, a kindergarten mother, stated, "Not only does the pet entertain the children, but it also teaches them how to take care of someone other than themselves."

**FOR BREAKFAST, "Squeaky" enjoys a carrot and special attention from Lane Alston and Holly Sadler.**

Nicholas Rightmyer (K)
Amy Roberson (5)
Lee Ross (4)
Johnnie Rowland (1)
Cray Sadler (4)

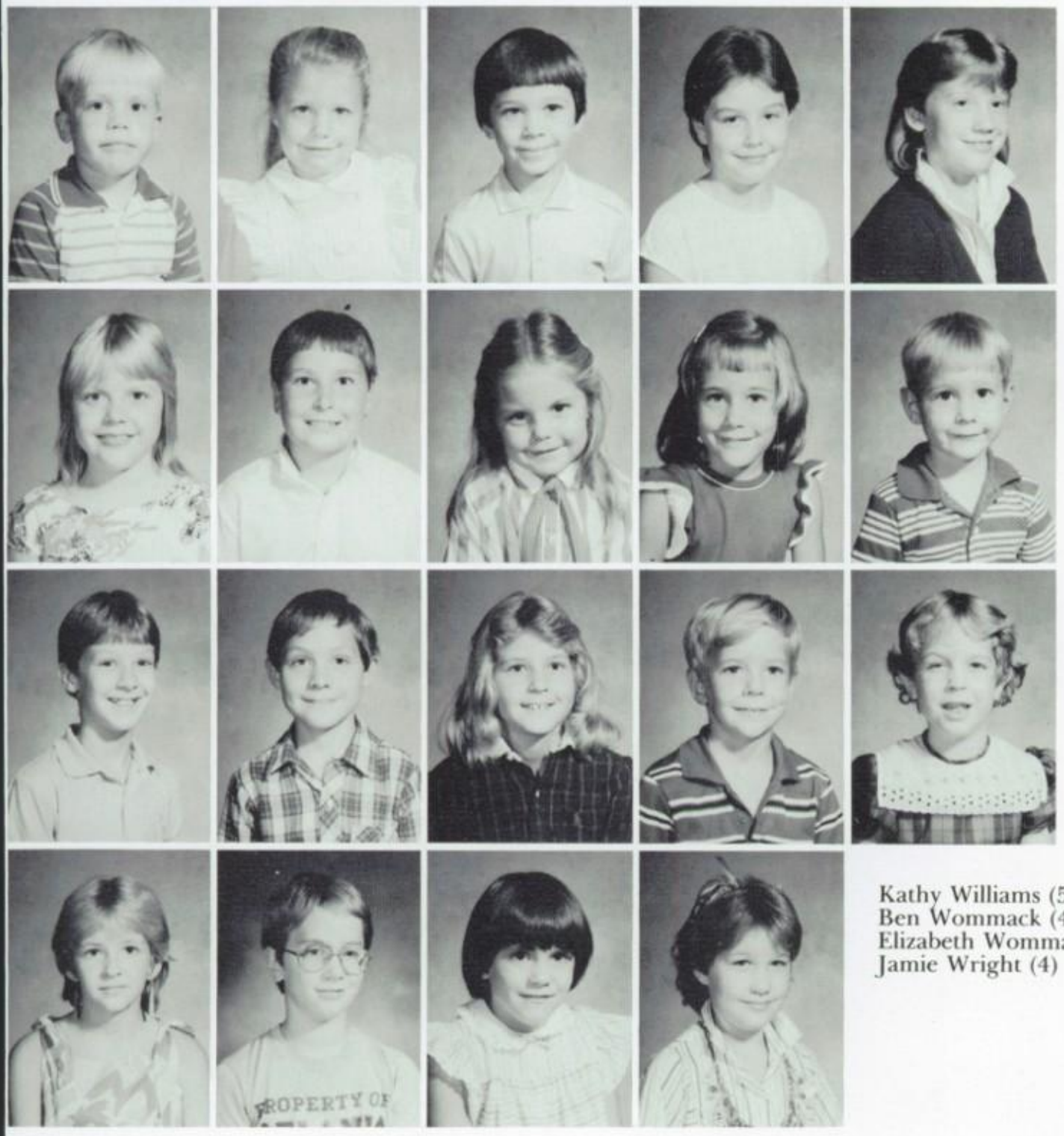
Holly Sadler (K)
Walter Shaw (3)
Brandon Shearin (2)
Jim Short (2)
Adam Simpson (1)

Kelly Sykes (4)
Tina Sorie (3)
Phil Spragins (4)
Wesley Spragins (1)
Eric Spragins (K)

Philip Strickland (5)
Hunter Taylor (4)
Angela Thompson (2)
Chris Thompson (2)
Melinda Thompson (2)

**AN OBJECT OF LOVE AND AFFECTION, "Squeaky" rests comfortably in the care of Michael Pearson.**

**SAFE IN HIS NESTING PLACE, "Squeaky" enjoys a break from the love and affection of his friends.**



James Tolbert (K)
Melissa Tolbert (K)
Travis Tudor (K)
Paula Turner (4)
Stephanie Vester (5)

Amy Sue Warren (3)
Christopher Warren (3)
Jen Warren (K)
Maria Warren (1)
Richard Warren (K)

Phil West (4)
Buford White (3)
Amy Williams (4)
Darrell Williams (3)
Heather Williams (K)

Kathy Williams (5)
Ben Wommack (4)
Elizabeth Wommack (K)
Jamie Wright (4)

# THE POWER OF LOVE

A recent survey of teachers across the country found that teachers are a dedicated group of professionals who are anxious to improve the educational system. Most significantly, however, the survey revealed that the love of teaching is a powerful inducement to teachers and is probably the dominant feeling that keeps them in their jobs. The poll also found that teachers face a multitude of frustrations. Nationally, 96 percent said they love teaching and 91 percent rate their schools as excellent or good; however, only 47 percent think teachers are respected by society. At Halifax Academy a Yearbook Staff survey of teachers resulted as follows:

%Agree strongly or agree somewhat

I love to teach
100%

I feel that I am rewarded for good performance.
38%

As a teacher, I feel respected in today's society.
50%

I would advise a young person to pursue a career in teaching.
56%

I rate my school as effective in educating young people.
100%

**EARLY MORNING DUTIES demand the attention of Mrs. Becky Chalmers as she collects lunch money.**

**THE SPIRIT OF WILLINGNESS is personified by Mr. Danny Hinnant in the painting of the football field's pressbox.**

**MR. GEORGE ALSTON:** Algebra II, Advanced Math, Physical Science, Chemistry, Assistant Headmaster

**MRS. CATHY AYCOCK:** English II, Family Living, World History, Sociology and Psychology

**MRS. DIANNE BRUTON:** Spanish I and II

**MRS. BECKY CHALMERS:** Second Grade

**MRS. PATSY DANIELS:** Fourth Grade

**MRS. DIANE DICKENS:** Kindergarten Aide

**MR. JIM ELAM:** Health and Physical Education 6,7,8,9; Advanced Physical Education

**MRS. CAROL GUIDRY:** Seventh Grade, Sixth Grade Reading and Spelling

**MRS. ELEANOR HALES:** Third Grade

**MS. MERLE HARLOW:** Fifth Grade

**MR. DANNY HINNANT:** United States History, World Geography, Government and Economics, Driver Education

**MRS. ELIZABETH HOCKADAY:** Kindergarten

**MRS. SANDRA LEHMAN:** Algebra 1, Math 8, Biology

**MS. DIANA LEONARD:** English III, Business Math, Typing I and II

**MR. BILLY MAYO:** Headmaster

**MR. RODNEY NELSON:** Guidance Counselor, English IV, Yearbook

**MRS. MAUDE NEWELL:** Piano

**MRS. KAYE PAGE:** Sixth Grade, Home Economics I and II

**MRS. SUSAN REYNOLDS:** Math 8, Introduction to Computers, Geometry, General Math, Computer Science

**MRS. CAROL SMITH:** Preschool

**MRS. SHIRLEY SMITH:** Seventh Grade Aide

**MRS. GERALDINE SPRAGINS:** Bookkeeping, English 8, Computer Science, Typing I

**MR. RONNIE TRIPP:** Science 8, Shop I, II, III and IV

**MRS. CAROLYN WOLLETT:** First Grade

# In supportive roles, some remained FUNDAMENTAL FIGURES

Essential to the maintenance of a strong school, various organizations and individuals gave of themselves, many voluntarily, to provide the most conducive environment for an effective education. Providing funds, creating fun, cleaning up after fun, and having fun characterized the fundamental roles of support personnel.

**THE APPEARANCE of the school properties receives the attention of Mr. Fitchule Munn and Mr. Roger Munn.**

**NOTED FOR THEIR HARD WORK, the Athletic Council members demonstrate their efforts in preparing a barbecue dinner before the Northeast football game.**

**IN HER SECOND TERM, Patrons' President Joan DiAngelo welcomes new and returning families to the first meeting of the school year.**

**MRS. RUTH BRYANT:** Librarian

**MRS. JULIA BURGESS:** Cafeteria worker

**MRS. LORETTA CONNER:** School secretary

**MRS. MARIE EDWARDS:** Cafeteria worker

**MRS. BARBARA GREEN:** Cafeteria worker

**MRS. JEAN NELMS:** Cafeteria co-manager

**MRS. LINDA PITTARD:** Cafeteria worker

**MRS. LINDA WHITE:** Cafeteria co-manager

**IN QUITE A CHANGE of scenery, Mrs. Green prepares French fries and joins the other cafeteria staffers in a Halloween surprise.**

**THE STRONG LEADERSHIP of Mr. Al Liles, chairman of the Athletic Council, and the support of parents like Ronnie Cooke make the fundraising and operations of the athletic program successful.**

# NO HIDDEN SECRETS

Frequently, discussions center around the advantages and disadvantages of private and public education. To determine the views of those persons who may know best, the Yearbook Staff polled the faculty to determine what best explains why they teach in a private school. Of ten items their five most popular explanations follow. Significantly, only one vote placed the first item in its position; otherwise, the five items would have been of equal popularity.

1. Parents are interested and supportive, and sometimes critical (69%).
2. Student interest and desire to learn are higher than in public schools (63%).
3. There is a lack of "red tape" and excessive paper work (63%).
4. Students and teachers have the opportunity to know one another personally (63%).
5. There is freedom to teach as desired (63%).

**AFTER A BUSY DAY in the classroom, teachers take to the cleared hallway for an informal meeting of the minds.**

**THE GEOMETRY MID-TERM EXAM captures the attention of Ashley Riggan, who has a question for Mrs. Reynolds.**

**CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING comes from Spanish I as Mrs. Bruton and Donna Abshire prepare a Spanish dish in a break from the daily routine.**

SCHOOL BOARD OFFICERS: Carlton Bunch, chairman; Debbie Outlaw, secretary; Andy Crew, vice-chairman.

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS: Bill Kittner, Pat Crawley, Al Liles, Wayne Edwards, Gene Cobb, Keith Browder (not shown).

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS: Annie Marie Smith, Robert Harris, Ronnie Hales, Doug Phillips, Suzanne Garriss, Charles Cooper.

ALWAYS ALERT to the cries for help, Mrs. Conner turns to the familiar sound of someone calling her name.

AS STUDENTS BEGIN TO EXIT from another day's events, Mr. Mayo stations himself at his familiar "intersection."

# Academics

Word problems . . . Logarithms . . . L.P. . . . Research Paper . . . "Death, Be Not Proud" . . . Failure . . . Colleges . . . Honor Roll . . . Book Shortage . . . Syntax Error . . . Success . . . Interviews . . . Testing . . . Dissecting . . . Periodic Chart

**SPECIAL PREPARATION for unique class projects exemplifies the spirit of academics. As Kim Salmon prepared a new recipe in Spanish II, Valerie Taylor cautiously observed.**

# Special projects meant more than just a

# DUE DATE

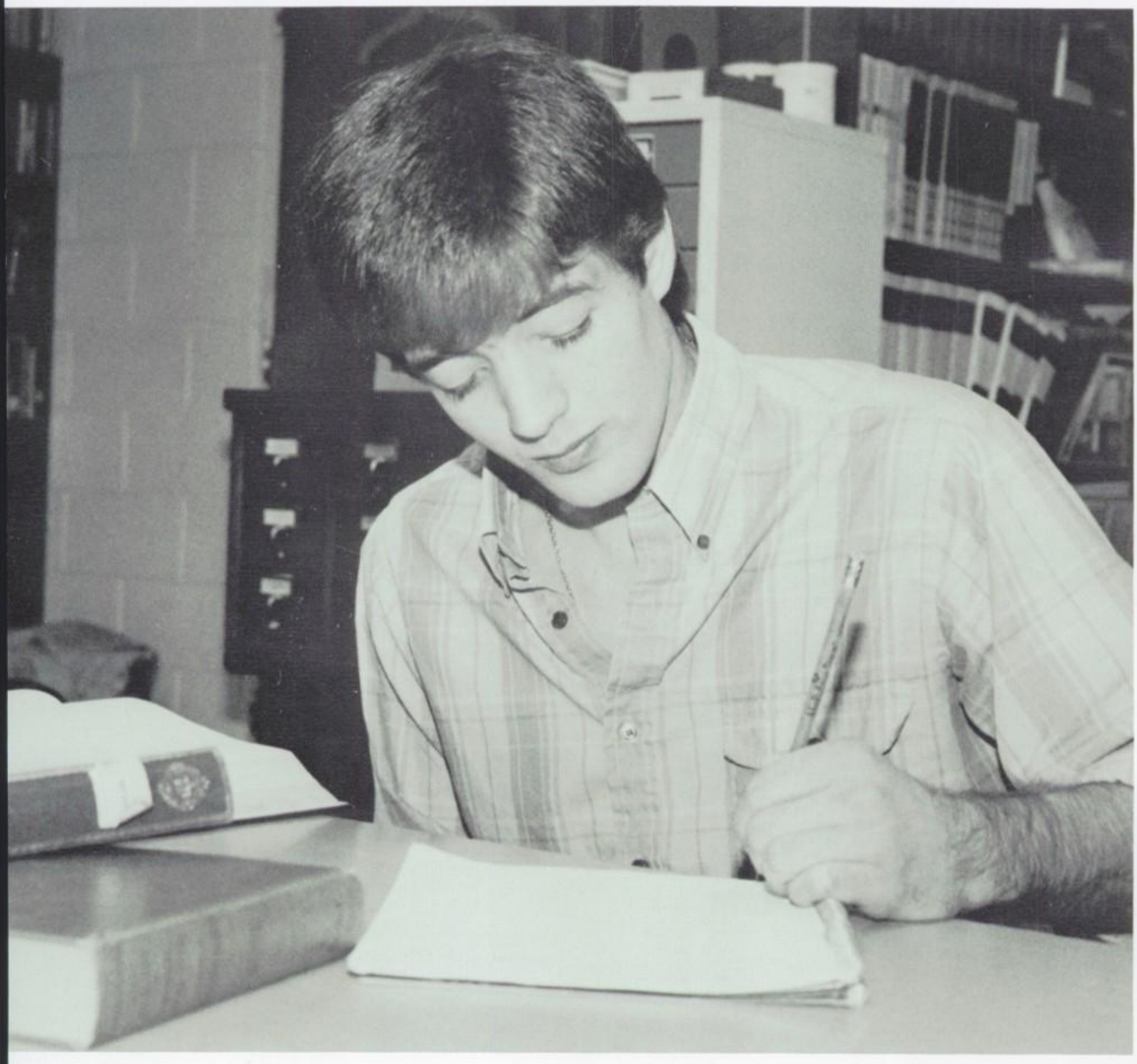
"I don't know why we need to do this junk," often echoed the sentiments of high school students. Casually, this statement expressed a reaction to pressure; moreover, the reaction prevailed during times of special projects.

Usually, students eventually admitted the importance of special assignments such as library projects, research papers, collages, oral presentations, and other extraordinary tasks. Surprisingly, some students even confessed that they learned more from the major challenges than they did from the everyday exercises. Some of the work was even fun!

**AN ADDED ADVANTAGE for preparing a Spanish dish, Karla Montealegre, exchange student from Costa Rica, assists Ronnie Keeter.**

**DUE DATE for bug collections captures the attention of Ricky Barnes, Andy Hale, and Russ Taylor as they examine the work of their biology classmates.**

**AWARENESS OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES comes to Tony Grizzard during work on his massive library project for English IV.**



## Increased enrollment led to

# MISSING PAGES

"It gives me a headache," replied Mrs. Loretta Conner, school secretary. Her quick response explained a problem that was beyond the administration's control. As the enrollment increased, many students registered at the beginning of school. Consequently, a book shortage resulted. Quite commonly, students found themselves sharing textbooks while teachers attempted to maintain sanity during already ordinarily hectic opening days.

To complicate matters, other schools that experienced shortages demanded service from the suppliers, too. With such demand, the task of re-ordering almost became impossible. Eventually, orders were filled. In the meantime, however, the demand for paper skyrocketed; students and teachers learned more than ever the value of a "handout."

**THE COST OF CRIME typifies the subject of a handout presented to Jill Dickens and sociology students of Mrs. Aycock.**

**FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT, the following seventh graders were eligible to participate in the Duke Talent Identification Program: Cindy Neal, Neil Roberson, Ted Newman, Anna Smith, Scott Phillips, Shannon Taylor, Kevin Hales, and Jonathan Pittard.**

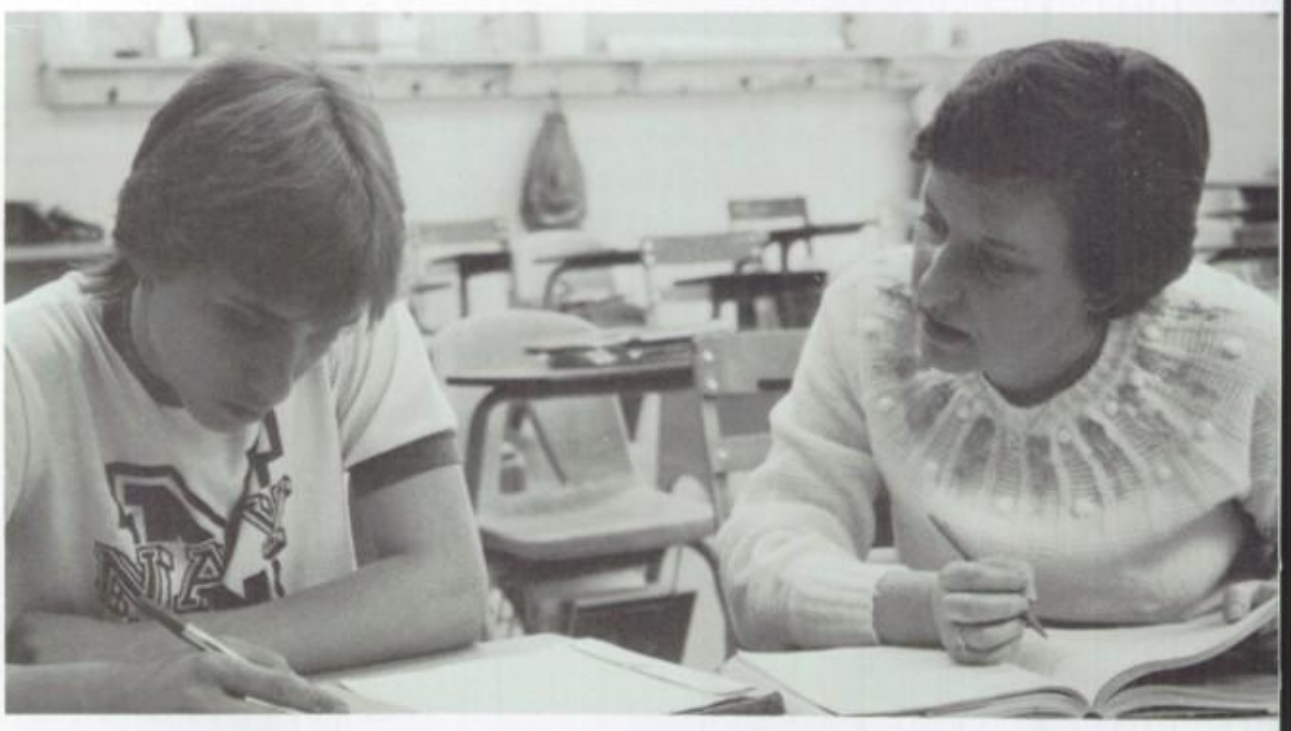
**PROTECTION OF THE BOOKS falls into the hands of Brett Booth.**

**THE STRUGGLE FOR SURVIVAL characterizes Lynne Clements and Robbin Brewer as they share an Algebra I book.**

**DAILY DELIVERIES keep Mrs. Conner busy signing acceptances and Randy Keeton of UPS busy making deliveries.**

# SAYING FAREWELL TO 18

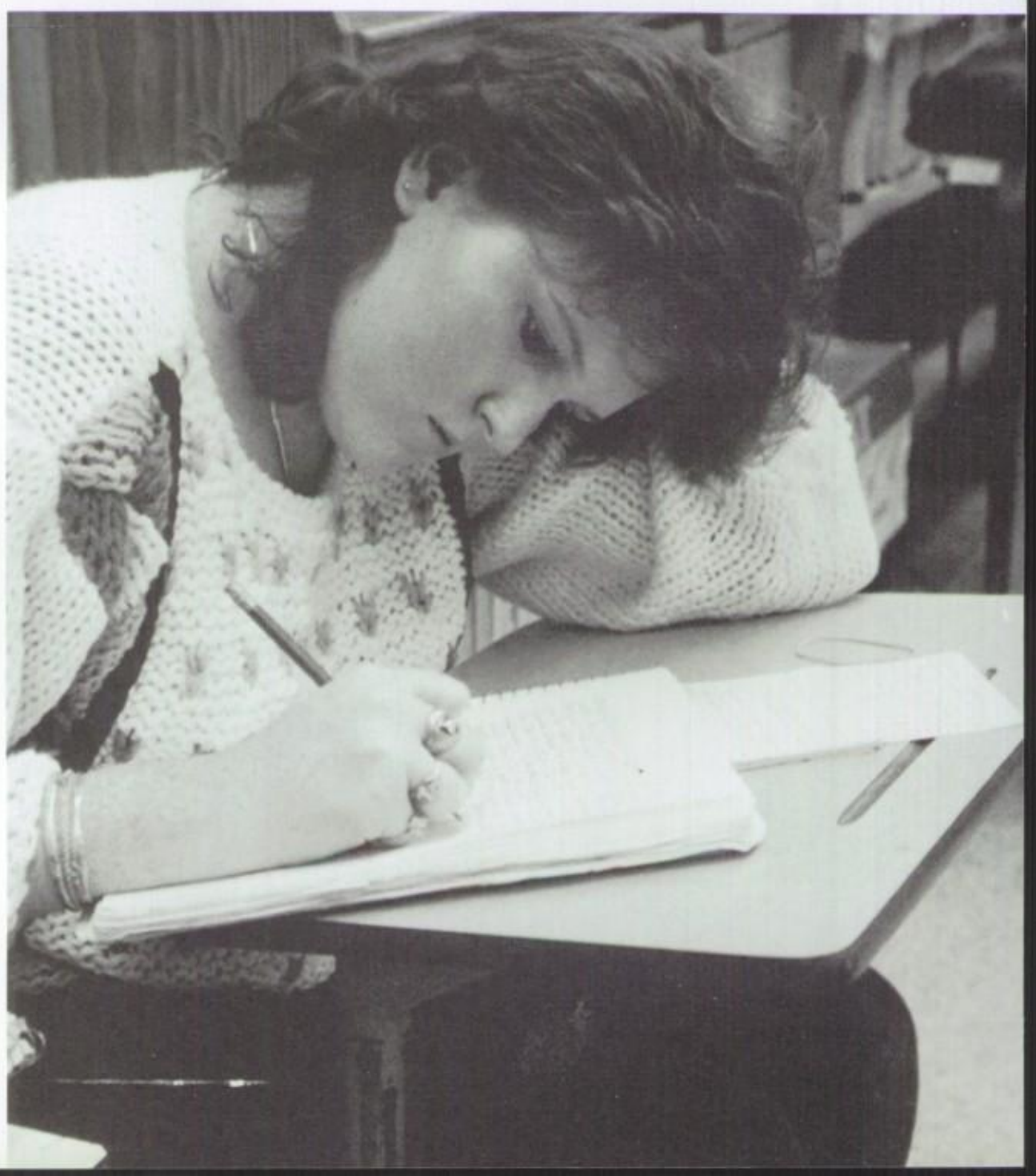
"We're seeing the return of yesterday's requirements," commented Mr. Billy Mayo, headmaster. As he reviewed the significant academic requirement changes, the students planned to confront the inevitable. As the seniors prepared to exit with only eighteen units required for graduation, the juniors knew that their work to fulfill the requirement of twenty units had begun as freshmen. More recently, underclassmen learned of more specific college entrance requirements (economics, government, computers, foreign language).

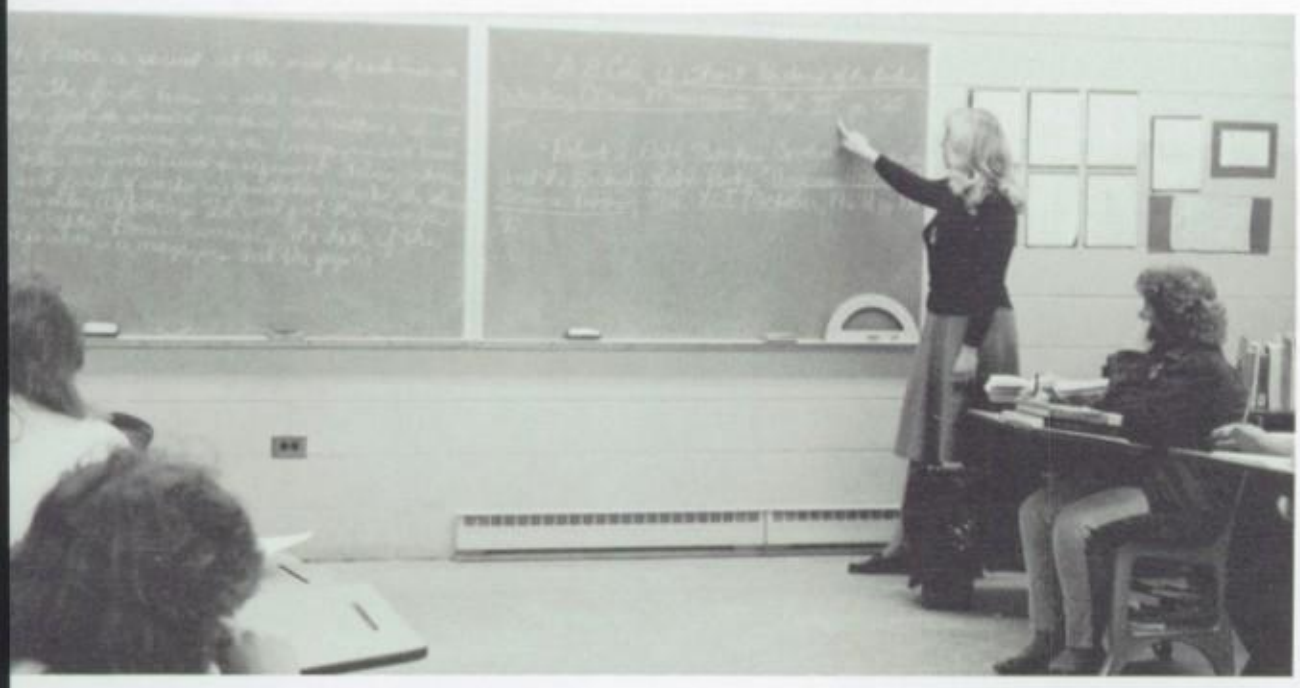


**ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE in math receives the after-school attention of Chuck Podruchny and Mrs. Reynolds.**

**IDENTIFICATION AND LABELING places the finishing touches on Marc Roberson's biology bug collection.**

**THE TEDIOUS TASK of research gathers the focus of Becky Cooper in English III.**





**PROPER FORM for documenting notes explains the purpose of Ms. Leonard's lecture to the English III students.**

**HOMEWORK HOURS yield results that lead toward gaining graduation credits; Bobby Johnson takes advantage of class time in English I.**

**STRESSING THE IMPORTANCE of good planning, Sally Davis, associate director of admissions at Peace College, shares with prospective students.**

## Even with the classic excuses, sometimes

# THE GOING GOT TOUGH

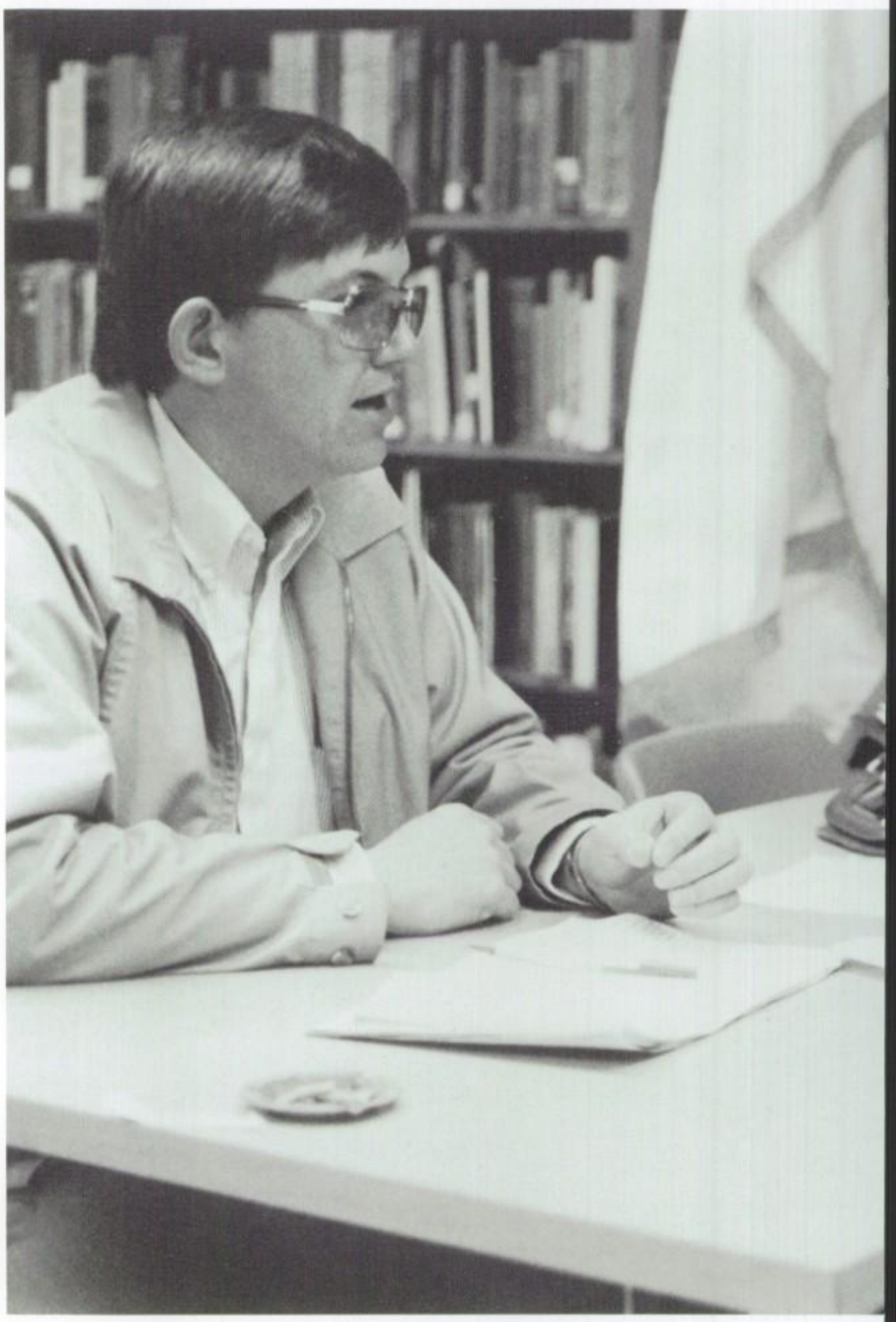
"The alarm didn't go off!"
"My car wouldn't start!"
"But I missed the bus!"

These excuses, sometimes legitimate and sometimes not, ranked among the classics. Not all of the "crutches" related to tardiness. Frequently, incomplete assignments and other responsibilities encouraged "creative thinking."

To discourage tardiness, students faced a new rule that provided automatic punishment of one day of detention hall for three consecutive tardies. Effective for most students, the rule had its regular offenders.

Experienced seniors shared some of their most frequently used (and heard) excuses. Running out of gas, having a flat tire, and getting caught by the train often hindered transportation. Some students simply "had to go to court." The fifth period English IV students once begged mercy from Mr. Nelson and protested after lunch, "The cafeteria bell didn't ring."

Classic excuses for the classroom varied. "I didn't understand the assignment"; "I tried, but I couldn't do it"; "Did you want us to write it down?" ranked among the most often used. Somehow, teachers managed to know the tricks.



**AN EXTRA HOUR to study describes a Thursday afternoon detention hall. For minor offenses students faced the extra hour, which was often used for studying or for cleaning.**

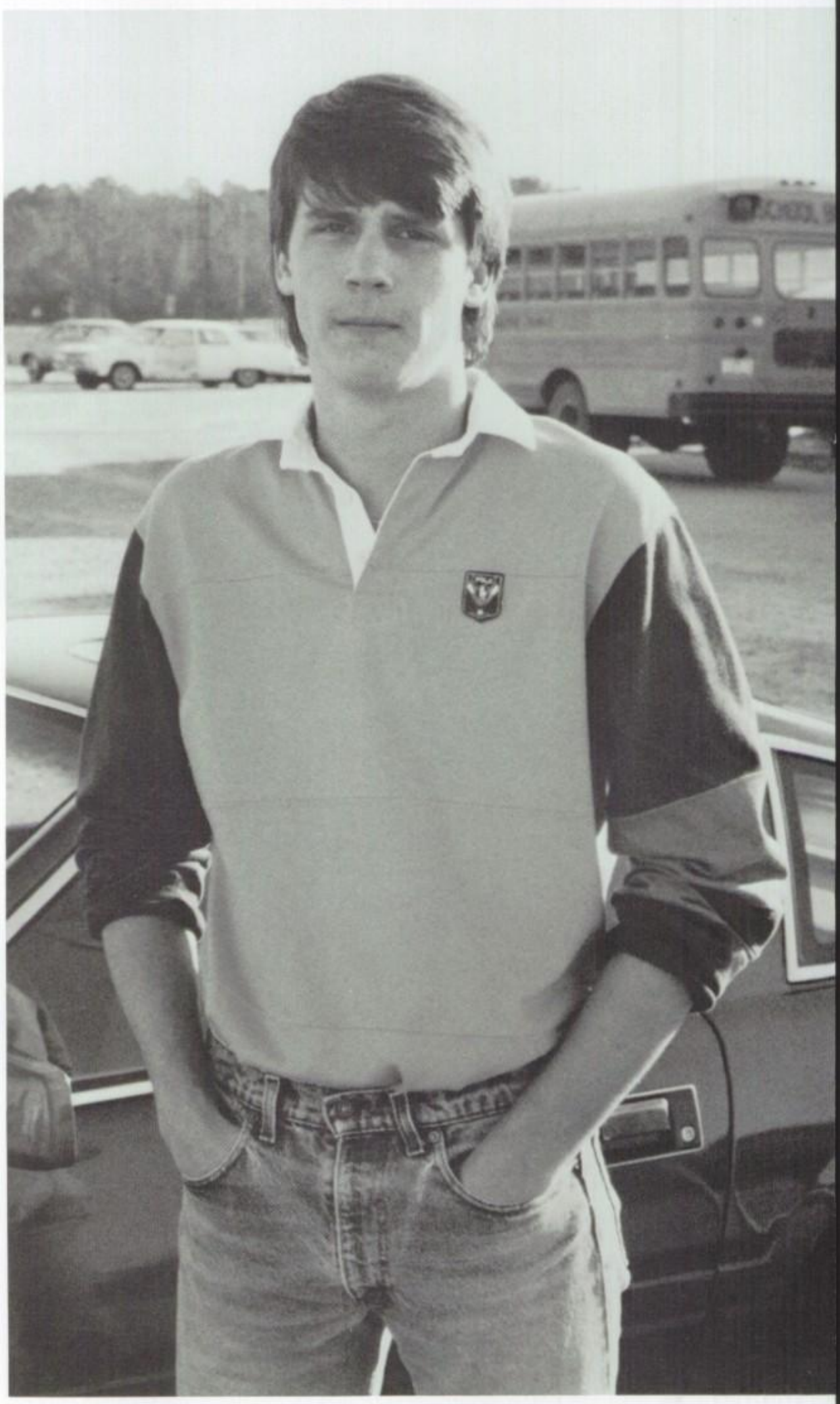
**THE VALUE OF PUNCTUALITY equals one hour, or so they say. Angie Howell and Jeff Green returned to homeroom for the afternoon somewhat surprised that the halls were not crowded with students. Crowded halls received credit for tardiness during the early days of school.**

**A FAMILIAR SIGHT each morning, Mr. Alston writes admittance slips for absences and for tardies. Did Jenny Sharpe win her case, or did she only have a question about the advanced math test to come later that day?**

# Once again, outstanding students were a

# SOURCE OF PRIDE

Opportunities for enrichment and for competition provided students of different grade-levels the potential to experience success. Students held to their heritage and represented the student body in local, district, and state events and excelled. Poetry contests, poster contests, essay competitions, and other academic-related events brought honor to the school on numerous occasions. Equally significant contributions to leadership events produced recognition time and again.

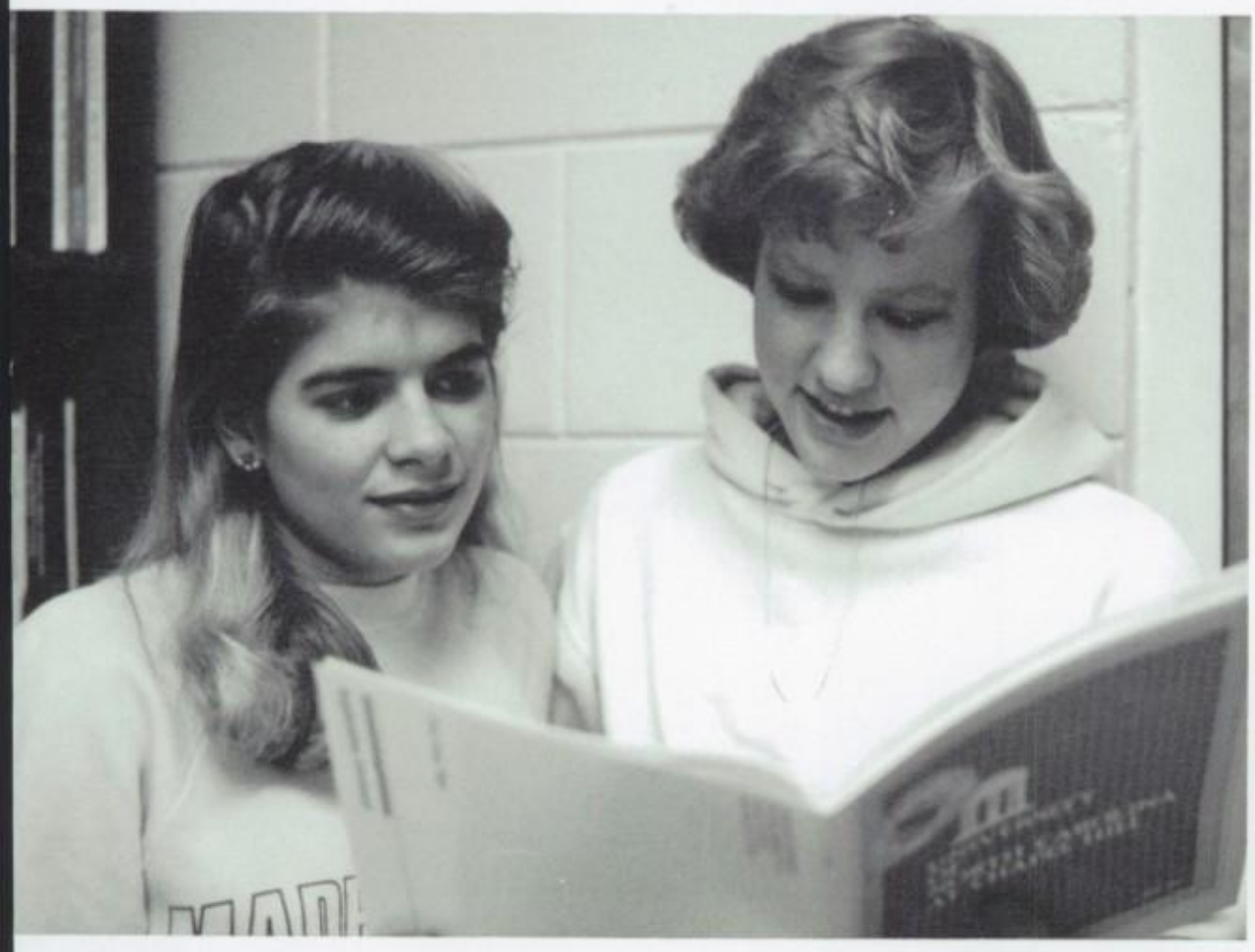


**THE FIRST SCHOLAR/ATHLETE AWARD is presented to Les Abshire by Sgt. Gerald Eubank. Presented at the 1985 Spring Awards Day, the award represented outstanding merit in academics and athletics.**

**LEADERSHIP was the focus of the Rotary Leadership Conference, March 1-3, 1985, in Ahoskie. Ronnie Keeter represented the local Rotary Club among delegates from one hundred North Carolina Clubs.**

**CITIZENSHIP TRAINING characterizes the aims of Boys' State, sponsored by the American Legion. Representing Halifax Academy, June 9-15, 1985, at Wake Forest University were Jeff Green, Roger Jenkins, and Ronnie Keeter.**

**SELECTED BY THE FACULTY, Roger Jenkins represents the student body as the 1985-86 Daughters of the American Revolution good citizen.**



**THE PRESTIGIOUS Morehead Scholarship Program of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill allows Angie Howell and Martha Wilson the opportunity to compete with other outstanding high school students.**

**GREATER INSIGHT into government describes the goal of Girls' State. Representing the students in the 46th Tar Heel Girls' State, June 9-15, at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro were Kim Salmon and Martha Wilson.**

# Athletics

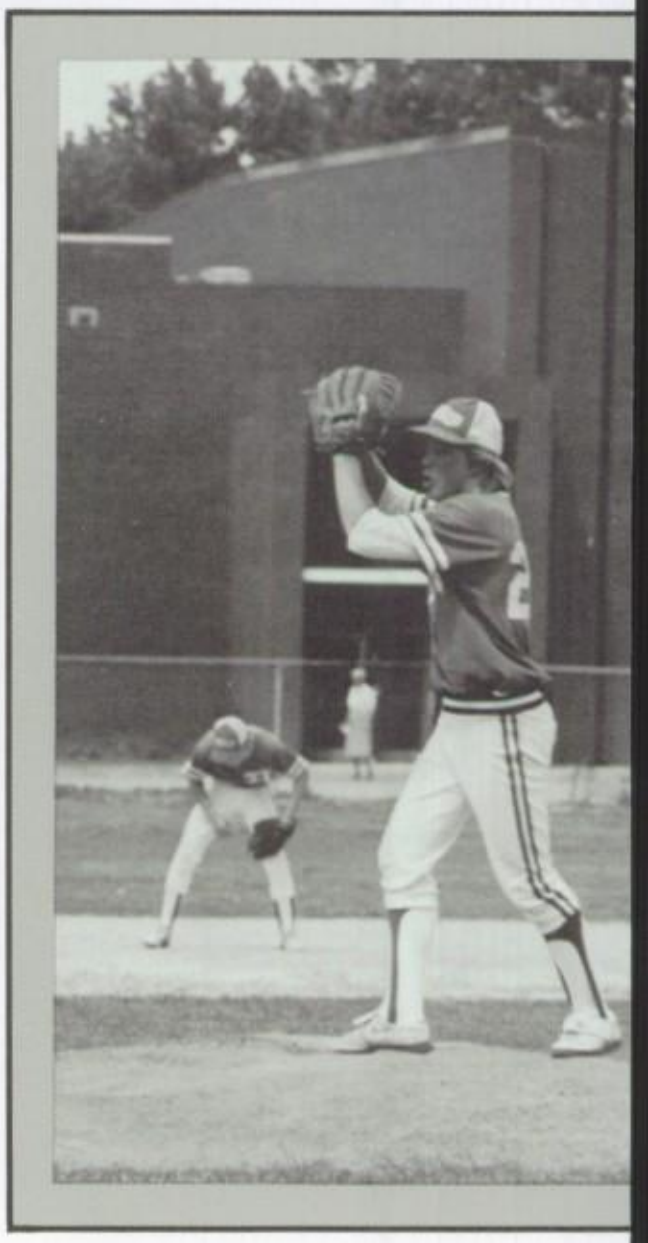
Touchdown . . . Give me a "V" . . . Homerun . . . We want Enfield! . . . Ducks on the pond . . . 1-3-1 Trap . . . Come on, ref! . . . Teamwork . . . Strike 3 . . . OT . . . 3 up and 3 down . . . Suck it up and go . . . Championship!

**SUPERIOR STRENGTH in all aspects prevents Northeast from defeating the varsity boys. Tommy Wright penetrated the lane for a basket, and the Vikes dominated on their way to a championship season.**

AS A FIRST-YEAR BASEBALL PLAYER, Ricky Barnes learns to bunt from an "old hand," Les Abshire.

THE PITCHING MACHINE has proven to be a big asset for the team. "It speeds up practice and allows more time for other drills," said Coach Alston. "We also have the advantage to prepare for a particular pitcher in a given game, whether he is lefthanded, righthanded, fast, or slow."

DISCUSSING THE FINER POINTS of the game are Coach Alston and Les Abshire.



# The Season Was a *HIT!*

The baseball team started practice slightly discouraged at the new doubleheader season. Coach Alston commented, "It is hard to keep that fighting edge after you just walked away with a victory."

Halifax proved to be able to keep that fighting edge and found themselves leading 4-1 in the divisional championship game at Chowan College. Unfortunately, Hobgood came back and scored five runs to win the game. The year's all-conference players were Les Abshire, Bo Burgwyn, and Jeff Green.

**TEAM MEMBERS — Kneeling: Sam Bell (manager), Patrick Qualls, Tony Grizzard, Keith Grizzard, Walt Burgwyn, Jeff Green, Russ Taylor; row 2: Cameron Smith (manager), Shawn Gardner, Bo Burgwyn, Les Abshire, Ricky Barnes, Todd Clements, Scott Ingledue; row 3: Coach Alston, Doug Morris, Lee Clements, Ronnie Keeter, Dusty Rose, and Buck Mims.**

1985 BASEBALL SCOREBOARD

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Halifax | 12 | Warren | 4 |
| Halifax | 12 | Enfield | 2 |
| Halifax | 8 | Hobgood | 7 |
| Halifax | 0 | Hobgood | 3 |
| Halifax | 7 | N.E.W. | 4 |
| Halifax | 7 | Warren | 4 |
| Halifax | 5 | Warren | 4 |
| Halifax | 12 | T.E.A. | 0 |
| Halifax | 10 | T.E.A. | 1 |
| Halifax | 16 | Northeast | 6 |
| Halifax | 18 | Northeast | 4 |
| Halifax | 9 | Enfield | 1 |
| Halifax | 2 | Enfield | 5 |
| Halifax | 15 | N.E.W. | 3 |
| Halifax | 8 | N.E.W. | 4 |
| Halifax | 8 | *Lawrence | 2 |
| Halifax | 4 | *Hobgood | 6 |

Conference Runners-up
*District Runners-up
Overall Record: 14-3

**HELPING THE VIKINGS ADVANCE in the playoffs, Bo Burgwyn earns the pitching win over Lawrence.**

**TEAM MEMBERS — Kneeling: Wendy Etheridge, Denise Pittard, Valerie Taylor, Debbie Hargrove, Tammy Podruchny, Kim King; row 2: Christine Taylor (manager), Shelia Johnson, Lynne Aycock, Jill Dickens, Donna Abshire, Lori Edwards, Anna Bass, Susan Nelson (scorer); row 3: Coach Hinnant, Tina Browder, Bobbie Jo Smith, Angela Green, Martha Wilson, Tina Lassiter, Doris Boseman, and Gene Johnson (assistant coach).**

**STRATEGY IS DISCUSSED between games with Hobgood as Coach Hinnant prepares his troops for the second half of a doubleheader.**

**HOMEPLATE IS IN SIGHT for Martha Wilson. Tammy Podruchny earned an R.B.I. in the 18-0 demolition of Hobgood.**

**AS ANOTHER INNING BEGINS, Coach Hinnant and Valerie Taylor express confidence that the game is under control. The Lady Vikings had rallied to defeat N.E.W.**

1985 SOFTBALL SCOREBOARD

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Halifax | 23 | Warren | 5 |
| Halifax | 3 | Enfield | 9 |
| Halifax | 18 | Hobgood | 0 |
| Halifax | 7 | Hobgood | 5 |
| Halifax | 7 | Warren | 1 |
| Halifax | 18 | Warren | 7 |
| Halifax | 10 | T.E.A. | 2 |
| Halifax | 5 | T.E.A. | 4 |
| Halifax | 7 | Enfield | 5 |
| Halifax | 1 | Enfield | 0 |
| Halifax | 16 | Northeast | 5 |
| Halifax | 5 | Northeast | 3 |
| Halifax | 5 | N.E.W. | 7 |
| Halifax | 11 | N.E.W. | 6 |
| Halifax | 9 | *N.E.W. | 3 |
| Halifax | 13 | *Enfield | 14 |

Conference Champions
*District Runners-up
Overall Record: 13-3

# Back in the *SWING* of Things

Beginning the 1985 softball season with a large group of talented players, the Lady Vikings looked forward to a strong finish in the Carolina Academies Conference. Coached by Mr. Danny Hinnant, the Lady Vikings coasted to a first-place finish by going undefeated in the conference. With this fine finish the Lady Vikings earned a berth in the district playoffs. The Lady Vikings defeated N.E.W. in the first round of the playoffs and advanced to the finals against conference foe Enfield Academy. The Lady Vikings lost to Enfield in a heartbreaking 14-13 game that was "anybody's game," according to Coach Danny Hinnant. "The leadership from the upperclassmen definitely contributed to the successful season," commented Coach Hinnant.

The Lady Vikings faced new rule changes, which included five-inning doubleheaders once a week. The Vikettes adjusted and matured as a team throughout the season. This maturity led to the selection of Lori Edwards, Anna Bass, Tina Lassiter, Jill Dickens, and Martha Wilson to the all-conference team.

**AFTER A BASE HIT, Martha Wilson prepares to advance to second base in an 18-0 romp over Hobgood.**

# No Payoff in the Playoffs

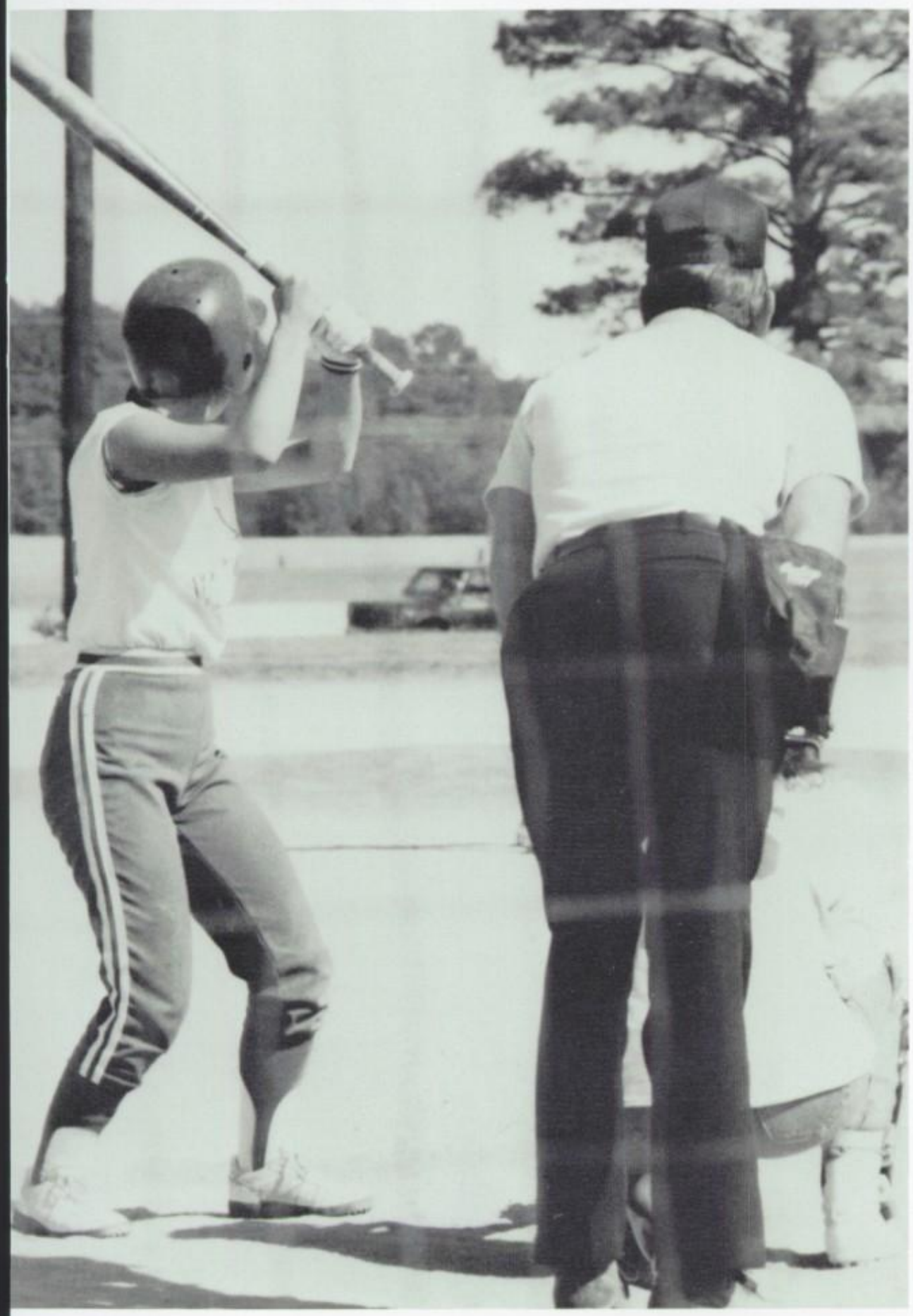
Success dominated the spring sports scene as the softball and baseball teams advanced to the District 2 championship games. Both teams led in their quests for tickets to the state title games; however, late-inning runs by their opponents spoiled the seasons' ends.

**WHILE BATTING AGAINST LAWRENCE, Walt Burgwyn helps the Vikings gain a victory in the District 2 playoffs at Chowan College.**

**WATCHING THE PITCHER CLOSELY is Martha Wilson. She used her batting skills to aid the Vikings in their advance to the District 2 championship game.**

**CONCENTRATING ON THE CATCHER'S MITT, Lori Edwards pitches and assists the Lady Vikings in another victory.**

**CONGRATULATING Russ Taylor on a run scored in the playoff defeat of Lawrence are Buck Mims and Jeff Green. Catcher Les Abshire had first greeted Taylor.**



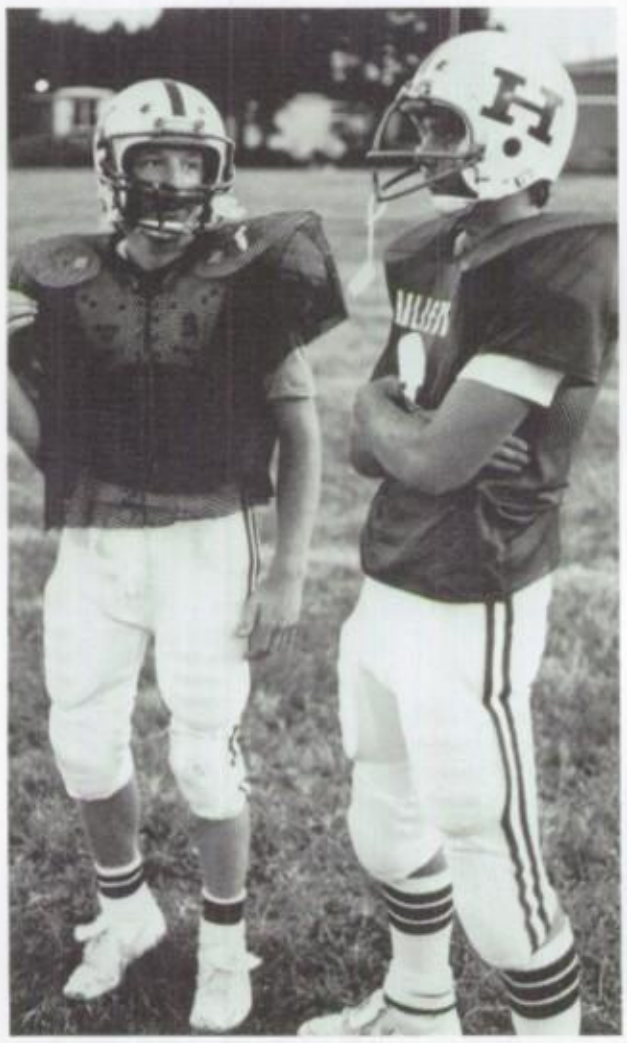
**ENJOYING THE PLAYOFF GAME against Lawrence at Chowan College are Wendy Bunch and Clemen Perez.**

**WITH HER EYES ON THE PITCH, Tammy Podruchny prepares to gain a spot on the base pads.**

# Kicking the Habit

The 1985 varsity football season spelled letdowns and triumphs. Coach Jim Elam said that the squad felt at the beginning of the season that they would be "one of the teams to beat." However, he added that there was "inexperience in key positions, and it would take a while for them to get used to these positions."

The first half of the season did not go as well as the Vikes would have liked. With only one win in the first five games, the team had to have time to develop skills. (continued on page 64)



**DURING A LATE AFTERNOON PRACTICE before the Enfield game, Walt Burgwyn gives his opinion to teammate Tommy Wright. The backfield tandem later helped the Vikings to a scare of league-leader Enfield.**

**PRIOR TO THE COIN TOSS at the Enfield game, captains Roger Jenkins and Jeff Green and Enfield captain Bucky Moss are introduced to the game officials by referee "Boo Boo" Butler.**

**THE EXTRA-POINT ATTEMPT by Bo Burgwyn adds to the margin of the 50-0 rout of Pender. Holding for the attempt was Jeff Green as Russ Taylor observed the action.**

**THE VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM IS INTRODUCED at the first fall pep rally. The team was fired up for the first game as Jeff Green slapped hands with his teammates.**

1985 FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Halifax | 12 | Kenston Forest | 34 |
| Halifax | 50 | Pender | 0 |
| Halifax | 7 | Northeast | 12 |
| Halifax | 6 | Enfield | 18 |
| Halifax | 8 | Hobgood | 21 |
| Halifax | 18 | Lawrence | 12 |
| Halifax | 6 | N.E.W. | 0 |
| Halifax | 18 | Northeast | 8 |
| Halifax | 34 | Pungo | 8 |
| Halifax | 14 | Wilson Christian | 0 |

Overall Record: 6-4
District Record: 4-2

**THE BIG GAME WITH ENFIELD, knotted at 6-6 at the half, requires instructions from Coach Elam and footwear adjustment by Russ Taylor.**

**DURING THE HOMECOMING DEFEAT OF NORTHEAST, Coach Jim Elam shouts sideline instructions. The Vikings avenged an earlier last-minute loss to Northeast.**

# Kicking the Habit

"We did not develop as fast as we thought we would, but we were patient, kept believing, and worked hard," said Coach Elam.

The Vikings did work hard and finished the season with a 6-4 record by winning the last five games. Senior tackle Roger Jenkins attributed the team's eventual success to "determination to do what we knew we were capable of doing."

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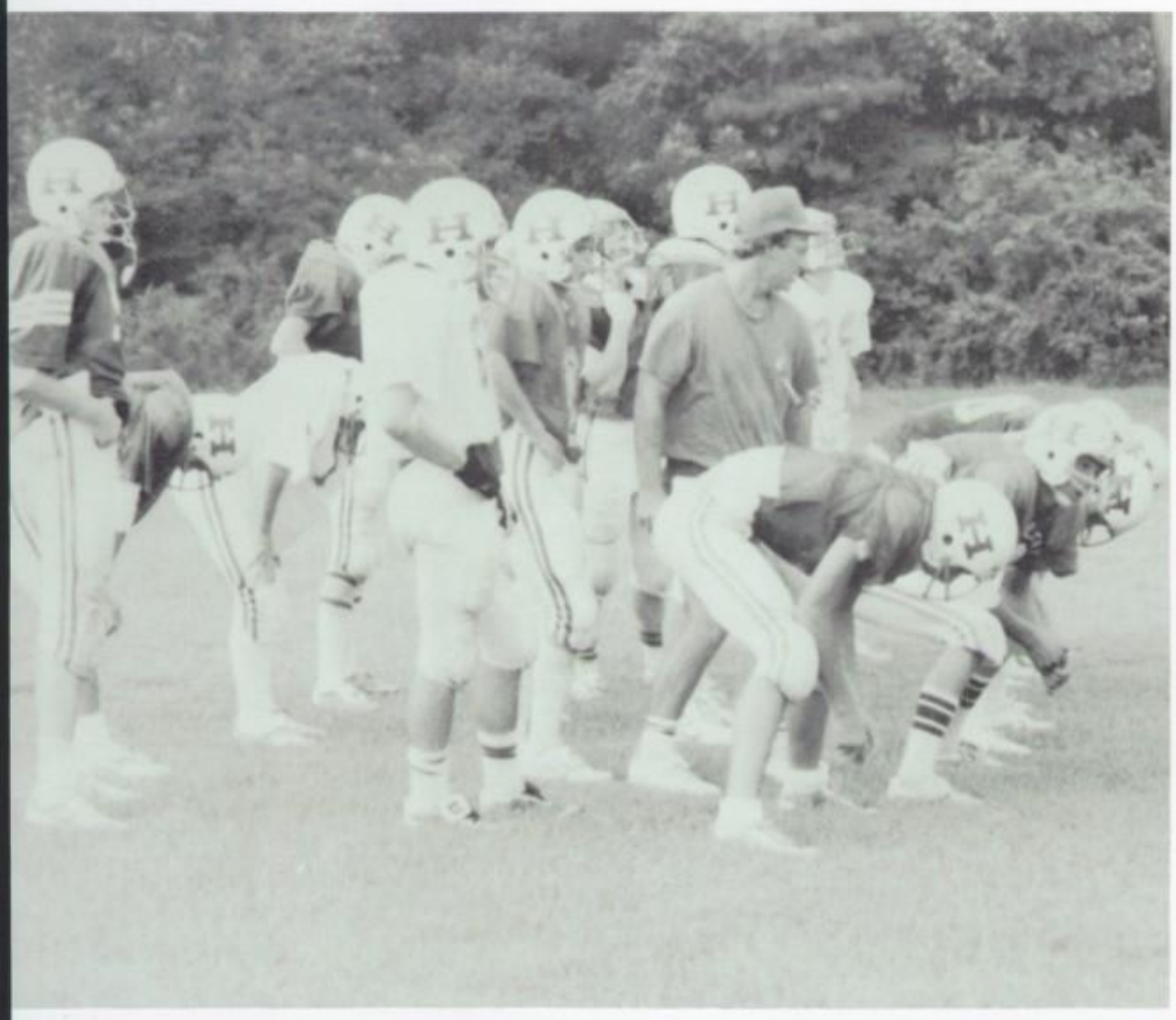
**AFTER A PASS RECEPTION FOR A 10-YARD GAIN, Ronnie Keeter evades Enfield's Bill Hudgins to earn a first down.**

**UPON RETURNING FROM CHEERLEADING CAMP AT PEACE COLLEGE, Anne Morris, Lisa Outlaw, Cherie Johnson, and Tommie Best review what they learned.**

**NEW CHEERS AND RENEWED ENTHUSIASM are results of the summer cheerleading camp at Peace College. At a summer practice Lisa Outlaw prepared for football season.**



HOT AND MUGGY AUGUST means pre-season drills and workouts for football players and Coach Elam.

AFTER A YEAR'S ABSENCE Coach Elam returned to direct quarterback Walt Burgwyn and the Viking gridiron troops.

TEAM MEMBERS — Front row: Shelton Jenkins, Hayden Faucette, Jeff Miles, Walt Burgwyn, Stacy Coggins, Chuck Podruchny, Jason Cooke; middle row: Russ Taylor, Bo Burgwyn, Johnny Shearin, Tommy Wright, Andy Liles, Jeff Green, Scott Ingledue, Craig Moseley (manager); back row: Coach Jim Elam, Roger Jenkins, Tony Wood, Bert Warren, Lee Clements, Ronnie Keeter, Jeff Inscoe; not shown: Albert Etheridge and Cliff Johnson.

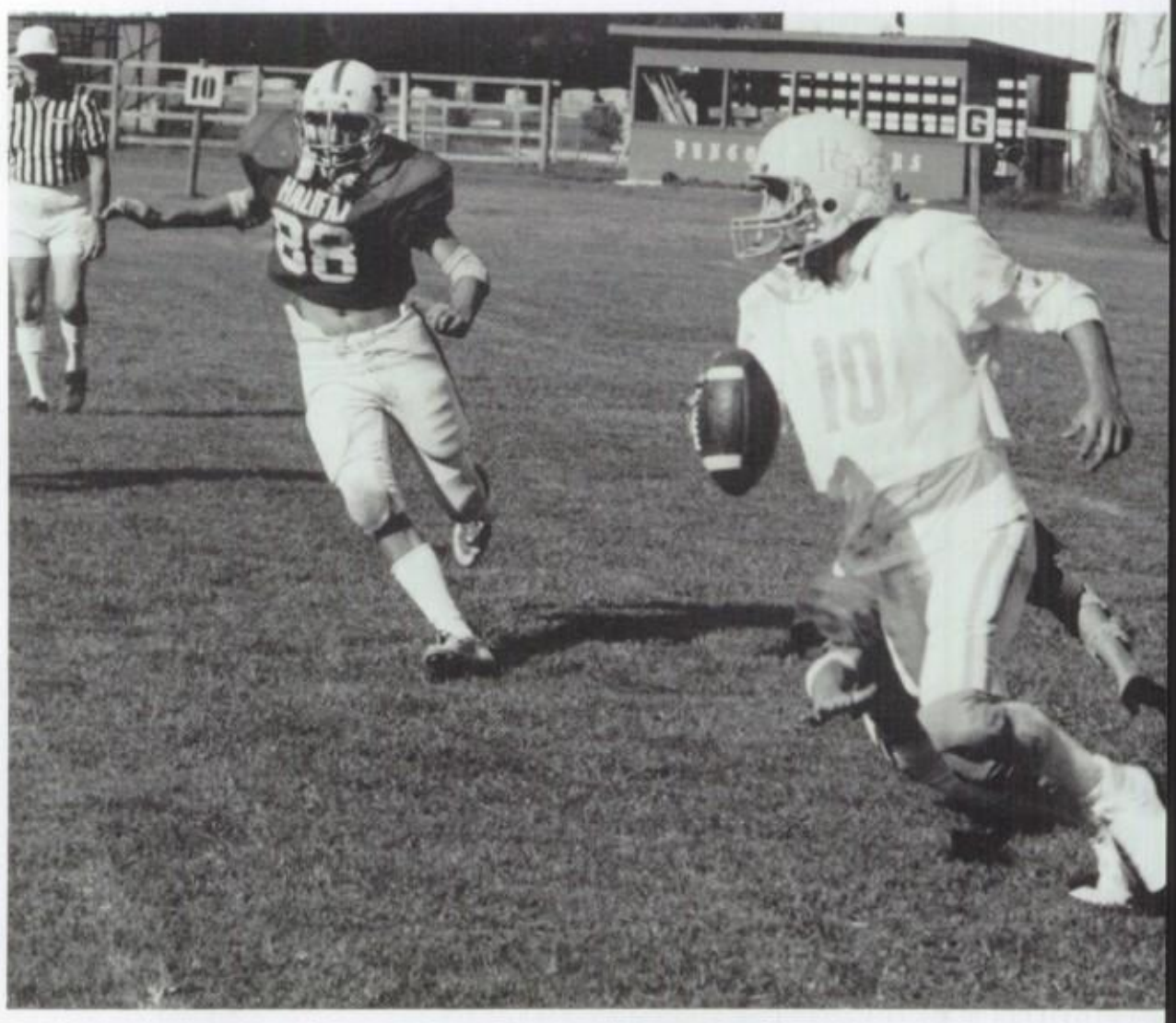
# CLOUDED VISION

From summer camp to afternoon practices, the varsity cheerleaders dispelled the idea that cheerleaders only showed up on game nights. Their dedication delivered encouragement that helped create winning combinations.

HOURS OF PLANNING AND PREPARING result in enthusiasm that spreads across the student body. The cheerleaders worked hard to be effective agents of school spirit.

**THE PURSUIT OF THE PUNGO QUARTERBACK** is the objective of Ronnie Keeter and another Viking defender. The Vikings sailed to a 34-8 win.

**THE ACTION ON THE FIELD** captures the attention of Tommy Wright and Billy Sorie, assistant coach.



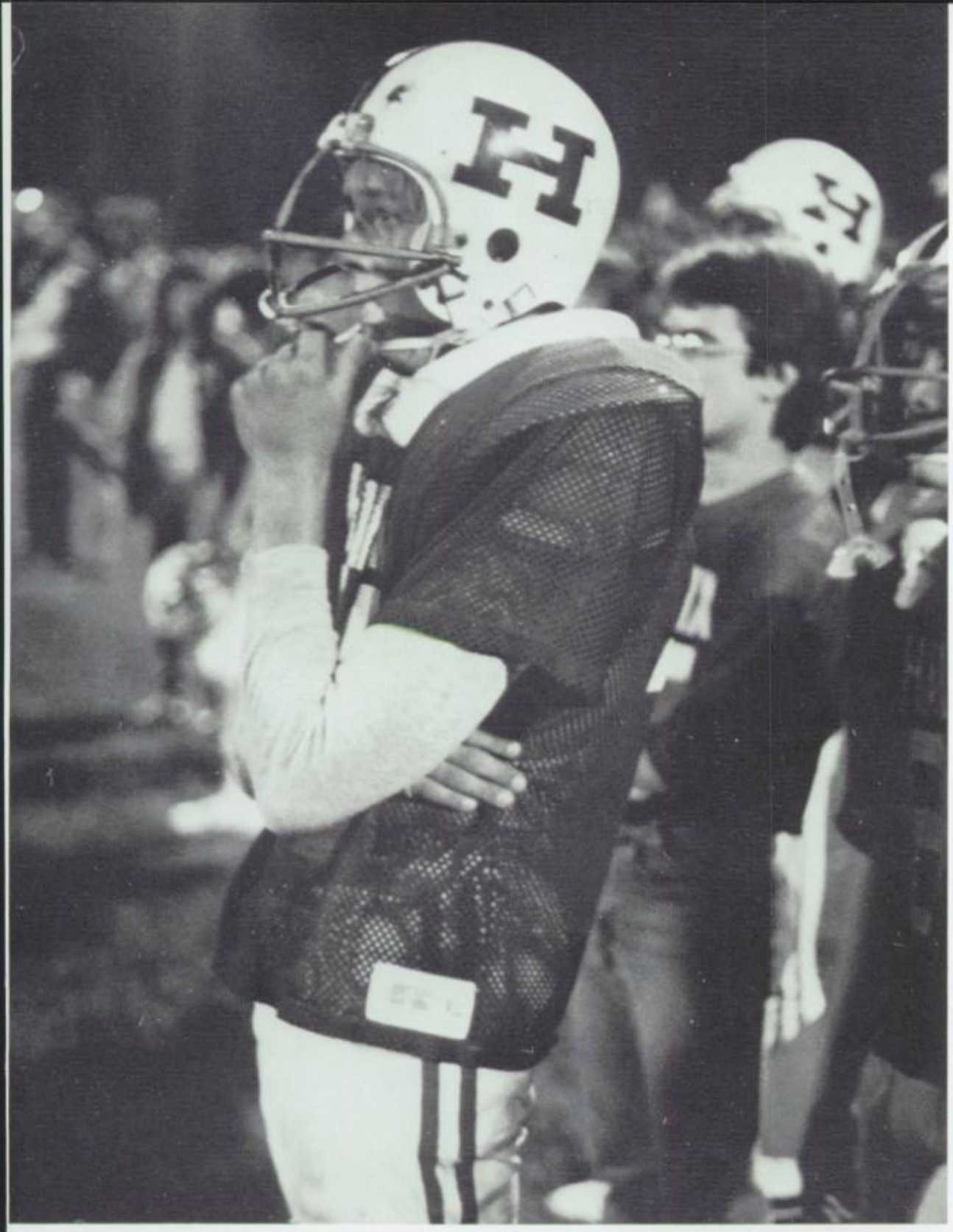
# JAYVEES SCORE VICTORY

## 0-4, but nearly 3-1

Still a young program in just the third year of existence, the junior varsity football team entered the 1985 season with more confidence. Seeking the program's first win, the jayvees battled a strong Kenston Forest team to open the season with a 42-8 loss. Not giving up, the team fell short by only a touchdown in each of the final three games: 12-6, Enfield; 22-14, Northeast; and 7-0, Hobgood. Morally, victory finally came; otherwise, it was a year away.

**DURING AN AFTERNOON PRACTICE,** Matt Wommack and Coach Elam discuss the fundamentals of snapping the pigskin.

**TEAM MEMBERS — Front row:** Wayne Robinson, Jay Qualls, Kevin Limer, Jay Allen, Robbie Harris, Neil Roberson, Robbin Lancaster; middle row: John Little, Chuck Podruchny, Rodney Robertson, Matt Wommack, Woody Elder, Mark Dickens; back row: Coach Elam, Allen Guidry, Jamie Livingston, Jamie Taylor, Steve Salmon, Jason Cooke, Scott Griffin, Britt Taylor (manager).



# Kicking the Habit

The habit of losing was kicked by the Vikes and Lee Clements, Jeff Green, Roger Jenkins, Ronnie Keeter and Tommy Wright were named to the all-conference team.

**DURING THE HOMECOMING VICTORY OVER NORTHEAST, Andy Liles observes from the sideline and awaits his return to the action.**

**THE PENDER DEFENSE PURSUES IN VAIN as Bo Burgwyn takes a handoff from brother Walt (background) for big yardage in a 50-0 rout.**

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# MAKING A CASE
## FOR THE COURT

**THE BATTLE FOR THE BALL goes to Bobbie Jo Smith in a confrontation with Hobgood's Pamela Rogister.**

"At times the sophomores and juniors played better than I thought they would," remarked Coach Jim Elam. "I was pleasantly surprised with the season considering our number of inexperienced players."

With improved ballhandling and the adjustments to the lack of quickness, the varsity girls provided a spark somewhat unexpected by many observers. The strengths of rebounding and outside shooting coupled with attitude marched the regular season's record to 12-5 overall and

*"Frankly, I thought we'd finish in the middle of the pack. We have to feel good about our record with the lack of experience and the improvement of our younger players."*

*— Coach Jim Elam*

**PRIOR TO A SHOWDOWN with unbeaten Lawrence, Martha Wilson leads her teammates onto the court.**

9-3 in the Carolina Academy Conference. Until the regular-season finale, the team managed to handle all but two oppponents. Ironically, the strong showing may have been highlighted by a loss. Unbeaten Lawrence, defending a state title and sporting a thirty-six-game winning streak, visited for a rematch of an early-season tilt and narrowly escaped the inspired play of the Lady Vikings. Describing their team as a "close-knit" one, the girls earned the position of conference runner-up to a powerful and unbeaten Enfield team.

*"The seniors have been good leaders; their leadership was essential in keeping us together."*
*— Coach Elam*

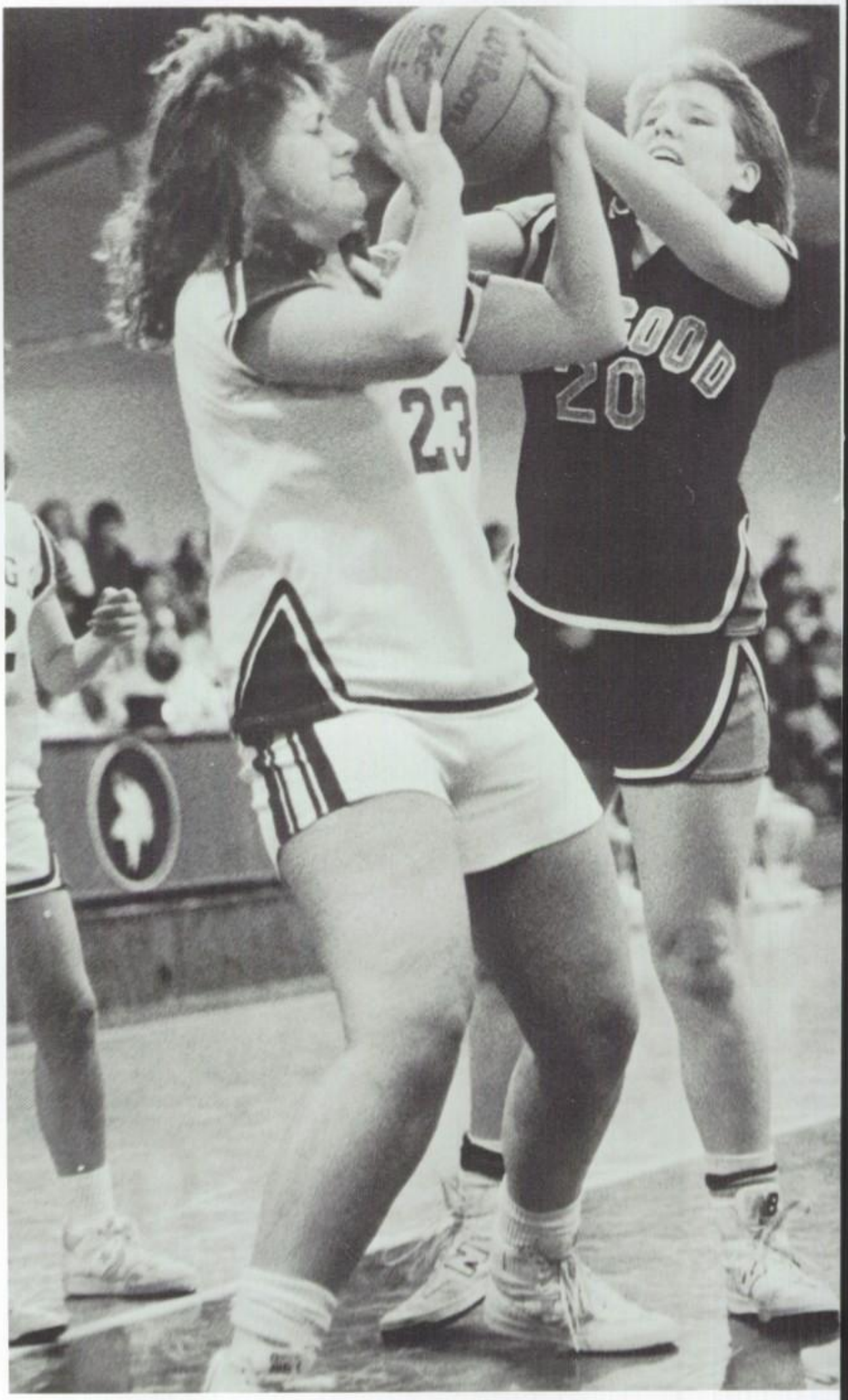
# MAKING A CASE

## continued

**SURROUNDED BY DEFENDERS, Tina Lassiter shoots two in a victory over Tarboro-Edgecombe.**

**AWAY FROM THE BALL, Jill Dickens defends Hobgood's Paula Rogister and keeps an eye on the lane to the basket.**

**WHOSE POSSESSION becomes the question as Kim Salmon ties up Hobgood's Jennifer Purvis.**



**INTENSITY AND ATTENTION come to life as Valerie Taylor and Martha Wilson catch their breath and receive instructions from Coach Elam.**

**ELUDING THE ATTACK of Hobgood's Paula Rogister, Valerie Taylor passes to Bobbie Jo Smith.**

**TEAM MEMBERS. Front row: Jill Dickens, Kaye Rowland, Ashley Riggan, Melissa Harris, Valerie Taylor; second row: Tammy Davis, Bobbie Jo Smith, Laura Cobb, Doris Boseman, Chris Phillips; back row: Martha Wilson, Kim Salmon, Coach Jim Elam, Tina Lassiter, Donna Abshire.**

*"Few people realized that four of our five losses were to Lawrence and Enfield, the two teams that eventually played for the state championship."*

*— Martha Wilson*

# MAKING A CASE

**continued**

In addtion to the usual excitement of the games, team members experienced a major rule change. The game opened with a jump ball; but from that point on, jump ball situations were handled with alternating possessions. "The rule was especially effective for the girls' games," observed Coach Elam.

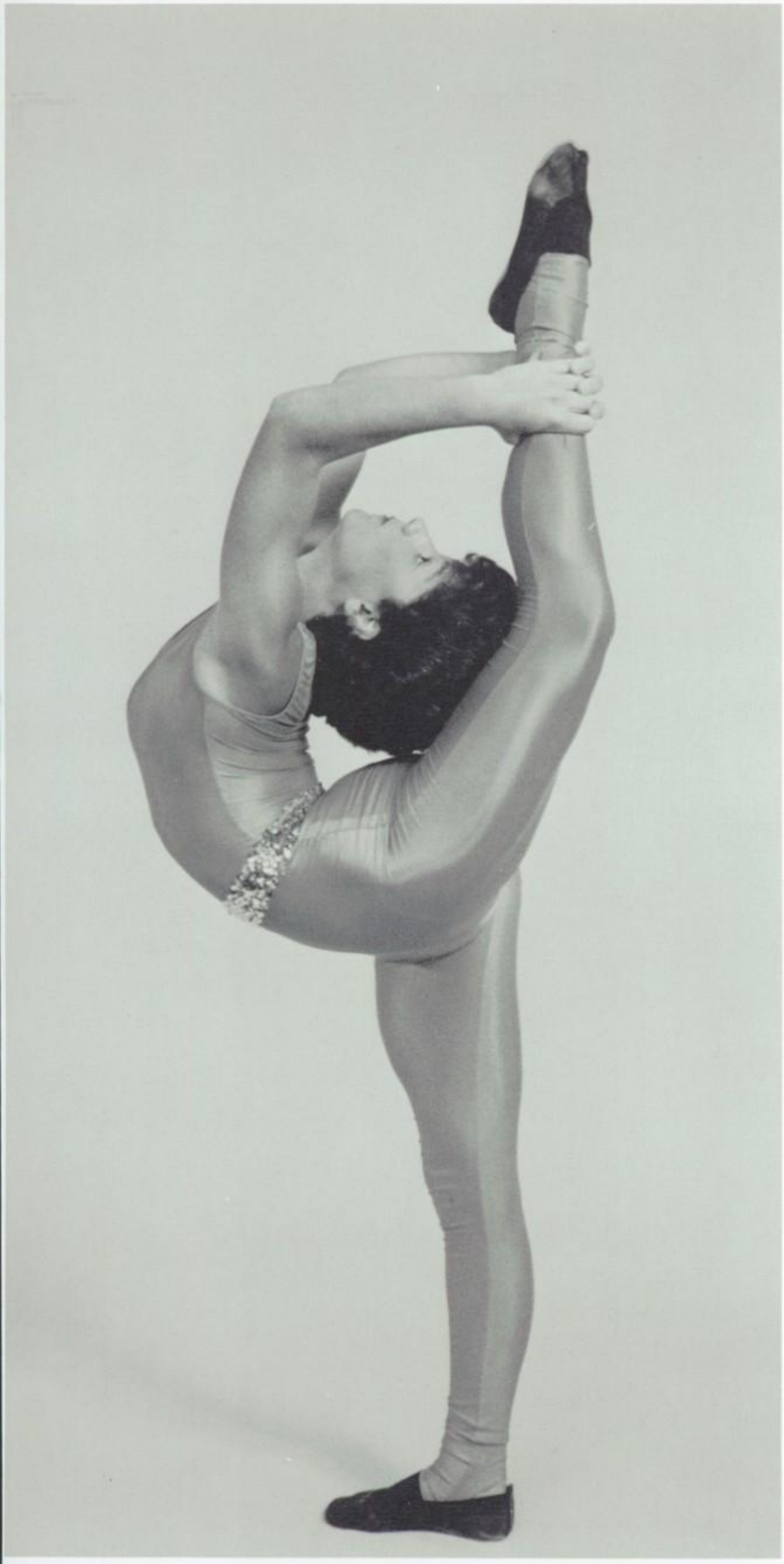
**FOUL PLAY from Northeast places Kim Salmon at the freethrow line.**

REGULAR-SEASON SCOREBOARD
1985-86 VARSITY GIRLS

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Halifax | 46 | Ridgecroft | 26 |
| Halifax | 23 | Lawrence | 50 |
| Halifax | 45 | *Hobgood | 28 |
| Halifax | 34 | *Warren | 26 |
| Halifax | 55 | Albemarle | 24 |
| Halifax | 42 | *Northeast | 37 |
| Halifax | 26 | *Enfield | 51 |
| Halifax | 35 | Lawrence | 39 |
| Halifax | 37 | *N. E. W. | 36 |
| Halifax | 50 | *T. E. A. | 37 |
| Halifax | 48 | Albemarle | 33 |
| Halifax | 51 | *Warren | 36 |
| Halifax | 36 | *Hobgood | 18 |
| Halifax | 32 | *Enfield | 69 |
| Halifax | 45 | *T. E. A. | 41 |
| Halifax | 49 | *Northeast | 34 |
| Halifax | 48 | *N. E. W. | 52 |

*Conference Games
Conference Record: 9-3
Overall Record: 12-5
Conference Runner-up

**STRATEGIC TALK during a timeout at N.E.W. produces a conference win.**



## Focus on

# FINESSE

Michelle Allen, a new student to Halifax Academy, enjoys dancing. When asked why she likes to dance, she replied, "With a challenge such as dance, I can set my goals and further pursue them." She plans to pursue dancing as a career and would like to attend the School of Arts or the University of North Carolina or some other university and major in dance and something else. She comments, "I do plan for dance to play a strong part of my life in the future."

She has had many experiences but says her most memorable one was in July 1985. "My partner and I took a first place trophy home. It meant so much to us because we had worked so many hours in sweat and pain." She also adds that practice makes perfect and perfection is what she is striving for.

**AN EXPRESSION OF LIVING ART characterizes Michelle Allen and her award-winning talents for dancing.**

*"Our goal was to win the state, not just get there. We did that last year."*

*— Ronnie Keeter*

**TO THE HOOP goes Jeff Inscoe, and Northeast's J.D. Daniels realizes his defense is in vain.**

**THE CLOCK COUNTS DOWN in a twenty-two point win over rival Enfield. The quiet but determined play of Jeff Inscoe sealed the win.**

## When all was said and done,

# LOOK WHO CAME IN NUMBER ONE

*One year after a season of close losses during the regular season, the conference tournament, and the state tournament, the varsity boys prepared to erase memories of what may have been. The goal was met as they united in claiming the conference championship, the first solely owned varsity boys' basketball title since the 1974-75 season.*

THE THRILL OF VICTORY and the vision of a conference championship reflect in the expressions and on the scoreboard in a rout of Enfield there.

High expectations danced about the campus, the community, and even the conference. Word sneaked out that Halifax possessed the pre-season pick for the Carolina Academy Conference varsity boys' title. "Most of us had played together since the ninth grade and junior varsity, and we knew each other well and had team unity," remarked Ronnie Keeter. As a result, the predictions grew, especially after two strong opening performances. A poor shooting performance added to the previous year's horrors as the team tripped in the conference opener at Hobgood. Call it "the jinx continued." Remarkably, Ronnie Keeter called that loss the most memorable regular-season game. "It woke us up."

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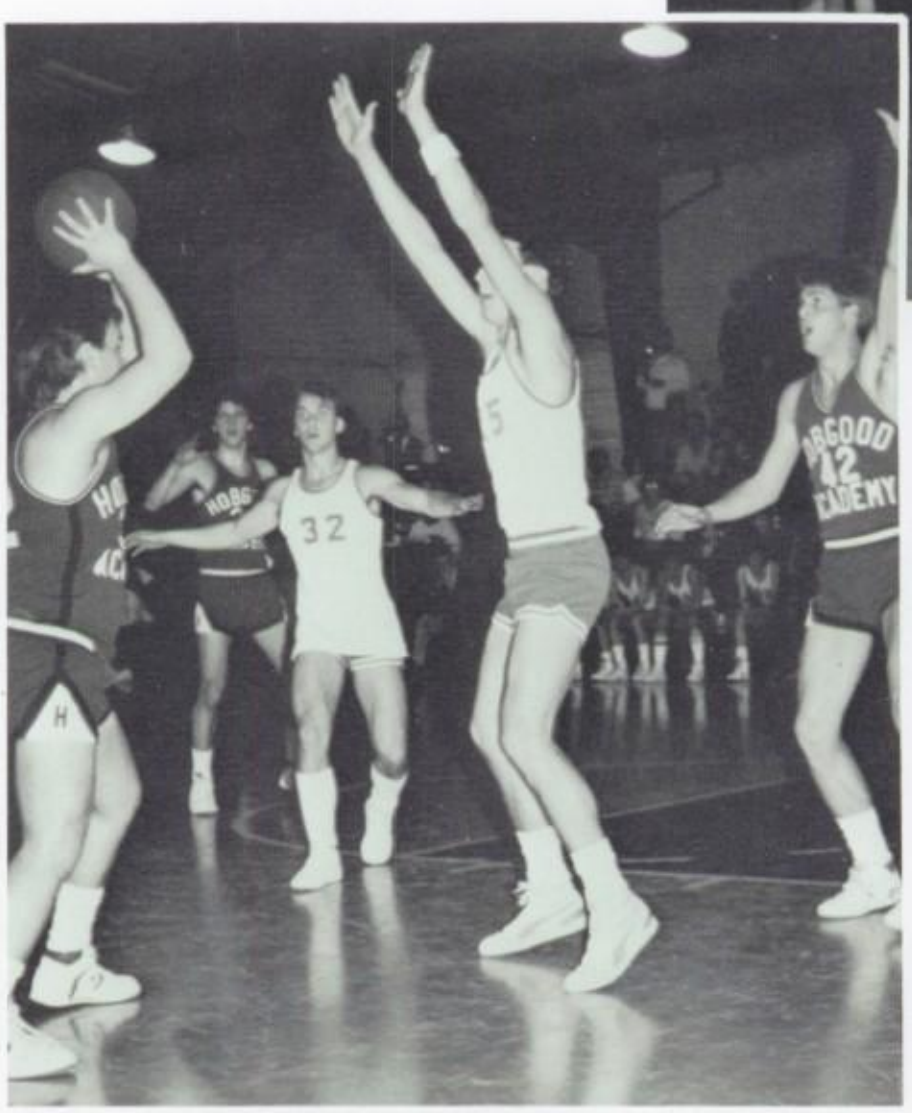
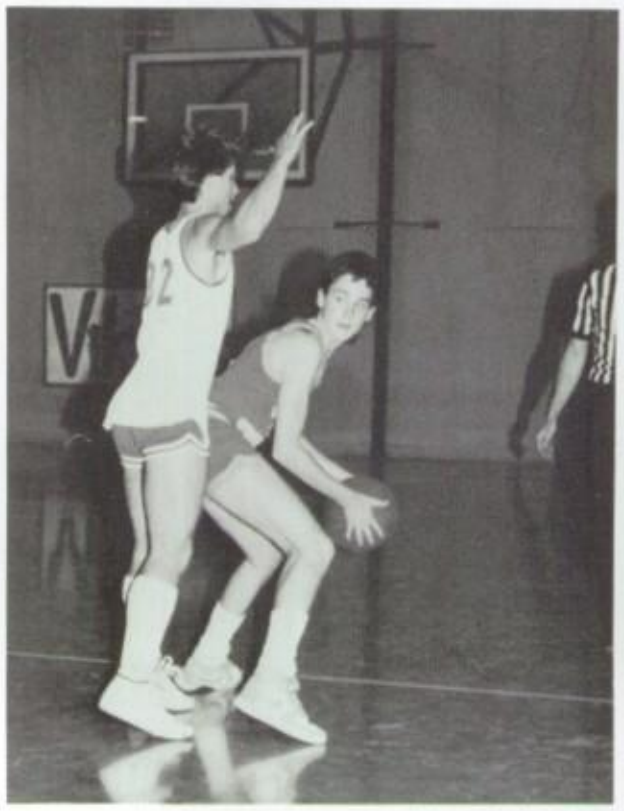


HANDS HIGH and on his toes, Ronnie Keeter attempts to slow Hobgood's Jack Leach. Leach got his points, but the Vikings got the overtime victory and were one step closer to the championship.

# Look Who Came In Number One continued

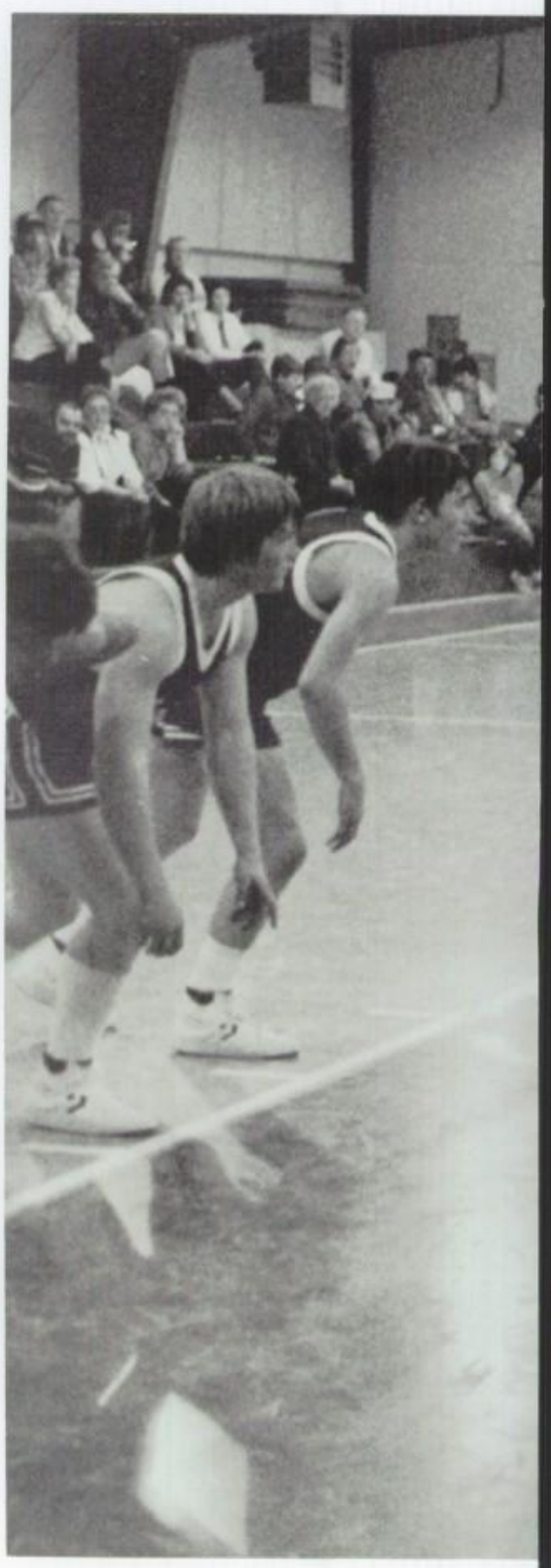
After a narrow loss to a red-hot Albemarle team at Elizabeth City, the team headed into the heart of the conference race. Beginning 0-1, the boys rallied to win the remaining eleven conference match-ups and compiled an 11-1 conference championship record and a 15-2 overall record. Two keys to the title were a double-overtime win over Hobgood and a twenty-two-point smashing of Enfield there. Those back-to-back wins answered all questions and erased any doubts. Jeff Green attributed the team's success to "working as a team and never giving up." Avenging both early-season losses, the team concluded the regular season with a twelve-game winning streak. The season's goal moved closer to reality.

A bye and a 53-49 defeat of Northeast placed the Vikes in the conference tournament championship against Enfield on their homecourt. A flu epidemic took its toll as the Vikes were upset 38-33 by a team they had earlier defeated by twenty-two. The defeat forced a playoff game to determine the representative for the state tournament. At Halifax, Enfield met the true champion as the Vikings sailed to a 47-30 victory. In the N.C. Independent Schools Division A Tournament, the Vikings muscled a 63-61 overtime win from Wallace O'Neal and upended Vance 53-43 to advance to the state title game. Defending champion High Point Wesleyan oversized and outpowered the Vikes 69-39. Concluding with a 19-4 record, the Vikings claimed second in the state, but somehow to many they were more than next to number one.



**TRAPPING DEFENSE keys another conference victory. Tommy Wright cornered Tarboro-Edgecombe's Mike Hale.**

**TEAM MEMBERS. Front row: Jeff Inscoe, Ronnie Keeter, Mark Overby, Ken Morris; second row: Marc Roberson, Buck Mims, Ricky Barnes, Joey White, Andy Hale, Hayden Faucett; back row: Tommy Wright, Jeff Green, Roger Jenkins, Wayne Edwards, Coach George Alston.**



**PRELIMINARY WORDS** from Mr. Raymond Coltrain prepare Tommy Wright and Ronnie Keeter and the Tarboro-Edgecombe captains for action.

**WITH VICTORY ON THE LINE,** Roger Jenkins sinks a freethrow in an early-season conference clash with Northeast to help secure the win.

THE REVENGE FACTOR and a possible conference title at stake lift Ronnie Keeter and teammates to an overtime defeat of Hobgood.

# Look Who Came In Number One

## continued

CONFUSION ABOUNDS for Enfield as Roger Jenkins directs the offensive shuffling of Jeff Green and Ronnie Keeter. On their court, Enfield remained rattled as the Vikes remained in first place.

THE AGGRESSIVE HALF-COURT TRAP of Roger Jenkins and Jeff Green forces Tarboro-Edgecombe's Patrick Connor to release the ball.

**DRAWING THE ATTENTION of the Enfield defense, Tommy Wright goes to the basket.**

**TEAM UNITY prevails as demonstrated by Tommy Wright and Ronnie Keeter after a victory over Hobgood.**

REGULAR-SEASON
SCOREBOARD
1985-86 VARSITY BOYS

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Halifax | 43 | Ridgecroft | 27 |
| Halifax | 75 | Lawrence | 50 |
| Halifax | 39 | *Hobgood | 48 |
| Halifax | 80 | *Warren | 40 |
| Halifax | 56 | Albemarle | 59 |
| Halifax | 60 | *Northeast | 52 |
| Halifax | 48 | *Enfield | 43 |
| Halifax | 66 | Lawrence | 34 |
| Halifax | 60 | *N. E. W. | 28 |
| Halifax | 63 | *T. E. A. | 34 |
| Halifax | 55 | Albemarle | 42 |
| Halifax | 96 | *Warren | 30 |
| Halifax | 64 | *Hobgood | 60 |
| Halifax | 65 | *Enfield | 43 |
| Halifax | 1 | x*T. E. A. | 0 |
| Halifax | 56 | *Northeast | 45 |
| Halifax | 57 | *N. E. W. | 41 |

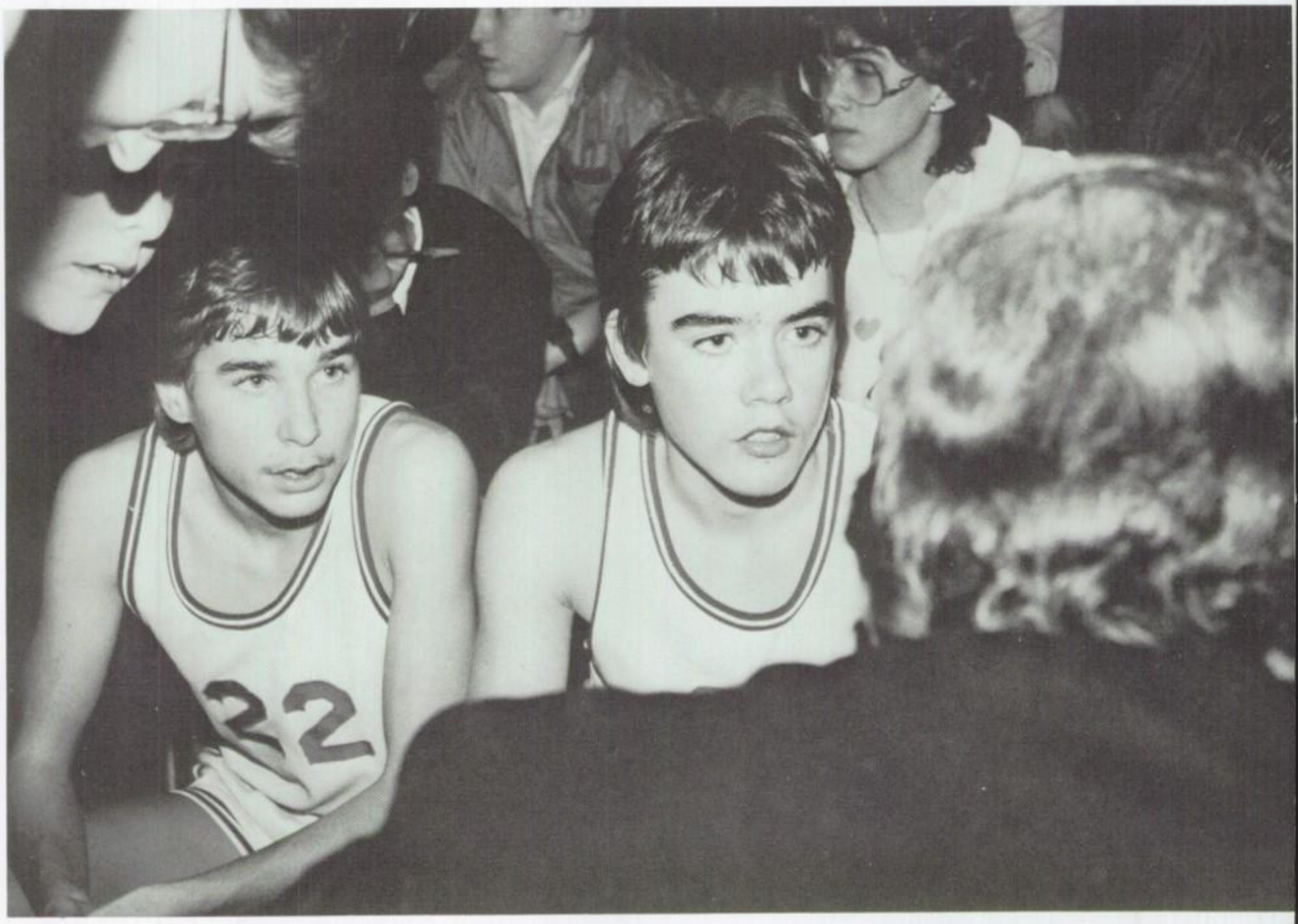
*Conference Games
x Forfeit
Conference Record: 11-1
Overall Record: 19-4
Conference Champion
State Runner-up

**ACTION RESUMES as Ronnie Keeter inbounds the ball while official Ron Fly counts time.**

## For junior varsity participants, learning was

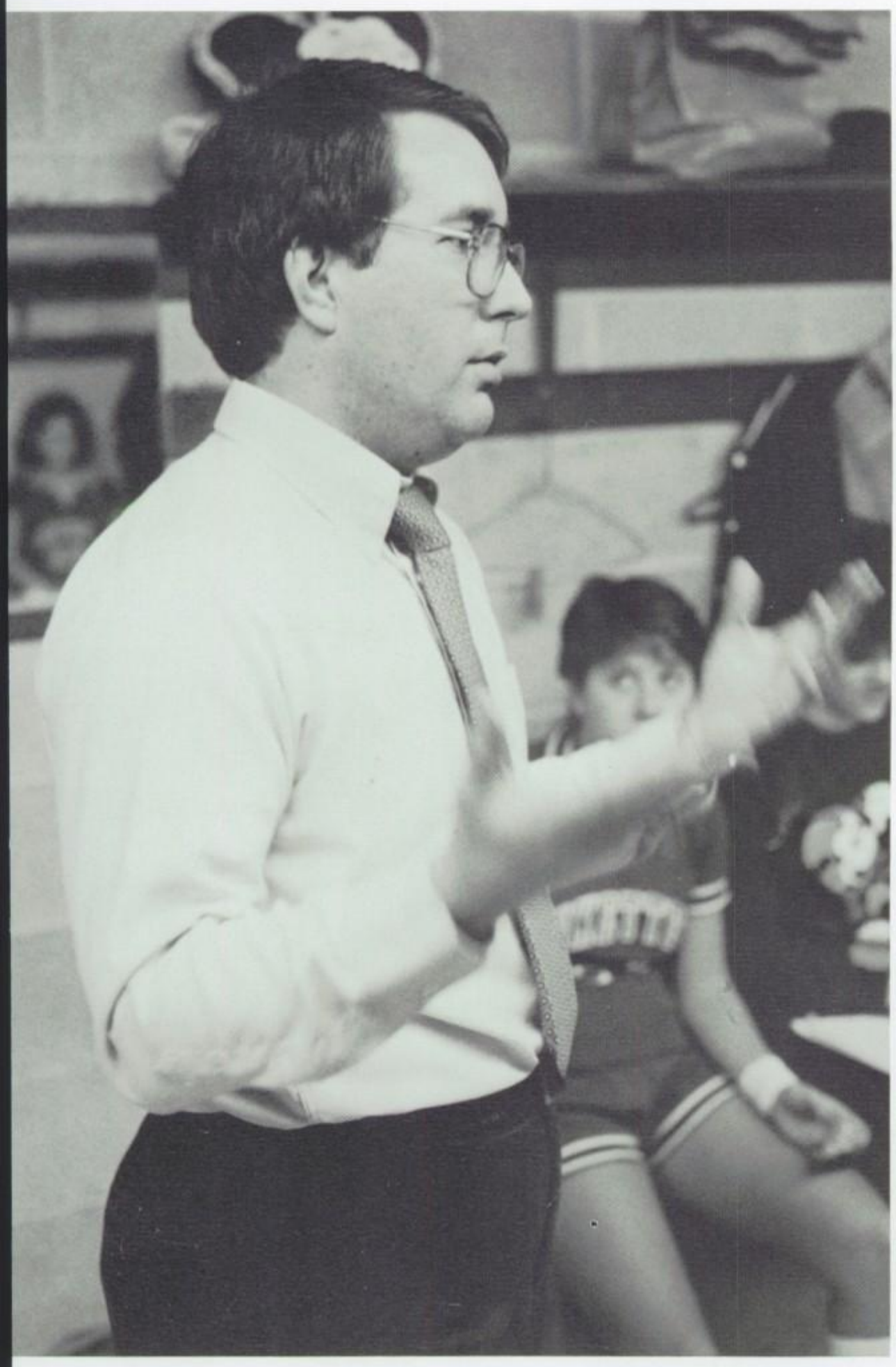
# THE NAME OF THE GAME

Characterized by inexperience, both junior varsity teams gave strong efforts in the conference. Giving conference leaders a real challenge, the boys compiled a 5-12 regular-season record and the girls, 10-5. Defeat was part of the game as both teams learned; and according to Danny Hinnant, J.V. girls' coach, "A person that wins all the time has a hard time dealing with any kind of defeat." Continuing, he added that in junior varsity play it is "important to stress learning, responsibility, and attitude — not just winning."



**CLOSE GAMES deliver tense moments. Jamie Taylor and Jason Cooke listened to key instructions during a time-out in the final seconds of the Lawrence game.**

**TEAM MEMBERS. Front row: Stevie Salmon, Jamie Livingston, Jamie Taylor, Jason Cooke, Woody Elder; second row: Neil Roberson, Jay Allen, Allen Guidry, Rodney Robertson, Robbie Harris; back row: Coach Jim Elam, Kevin Hales, Scott Phillips, Matt Wommack, Chuck Podruchny, Jonathan Pittard.**



**WITH AN EMPHASIS ON LEARNING,** Coach Hinnant stresses concentration in a locker room chat.

**J.V. CHEERLEADERS. Front row: Felicia West, Amy Lynn Harris, Melissa Garriss; second row: April Williams, Annie Chalmers, Christy Wood, Shelly Medlin; back row: Windy Hurst, Diantha Harrell, Penny Bunch.**

**TO PROMOTE SCHOOL SPIRIT,** Melissa Garriss, Penny Bunch, and Felicia West make Kevin Copeland their first customer.

**TEAM MEMBERS. Front row: Joyce Respess, Amy Inscoe, Tara Inscoe, Dana King, Laura Johnson, Martha Johnston; second row: Belinda Garner, Susan Warren, Kim Brown, Christine Taylor, Jennifer Salmon, Becky Hudson; back row: Coach Danny Hinnant, Doris Joyner (mgr.), Paula Shearin, Tammy Rhome, LaDonna Wells, Assistant Martha Wilson, and Jackie Sabrowski (mgr.).**

# Organizations

"We need to retake the Anchor Club picture!" . . . Deadline . . . Fundraisers . . . "Whose turn is it to sell ice cream?" . . . Thought for the Week . . . Group Picture Day . . . "Are we on activity period?"

**EFFECTIVE CHANGE requires responsible planning. Roger Jenkins, president of the student body, provided key leadership that promoted numerous improvements to student government and student morale.**

**LOADING THE TRUNK, Anchor members prepare to deliver goods to a needy family at Thanksgiving.**

## Loyal to the Anchor Club Creed, members were

# PACKING THE GOODS

"Realizing that in unity there is strength" begins the Anchor Club Creed. An affiliate of the Roanoke Valley Pilot Club, the Anchor Club members committed themselves to work together in friendship and loyalty and to provide service to their homes, school, and communities.

Busy with traditional activities, members continued to be busy with visits to the Carolina Rest Home. A special visit delivered cheer to the residents on Grandparents' Day. Sponsoring a needy family at Thanksgiving allowed member participation in collecting goods. In addition, the members who presented the collected items discovered harsh realities with their visits; fortunately, they also were inspired and were made more appreciative.

Attendance at the Freedom Foundation in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, granted quite an experience for Chris Phillips, Aimee Phillips, and Jennifer Allen. Likewise, Titian Quincy and Karl Montealegre benefitted from workshop at Peace College.

Of course, fundraising was necessity. Members distinguishe themselves with the constan companionship of boxes o Sweettarts and Sprees. Th members promoted their organiza tion by particicpating in Club Wee at Becker Village Mall. When a was completed, the channels o achievement had led the membe to the port of success.

# Anchor Club

ANCHOR BUDDY information requires an activity period meeting for Mrs. Aycock and members.

HOW TIME typifies the Anchor spirit as Melonie White enjoys a club luncheon prior to the Christmas holidays.

DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS. Front row: Melonie White, vice-president; Titian Quincy, president; Mrs. Aycock, adviser; back row: Sallie Little, senior director; Kim Salmon, secretary; Martha Wilson, treasurer; Anne Morris, junior director.

MEMBERS. Front row: Denise Pittard, Jennifer Allen, Nora Leigh Hockaday, Karla Montealegre; second row: Chris Phillips, Melody Smith, Lara Ann Barnhill, Traie Mayo, Missy Balsley; back row: Aimee Phillips, Angela Green, Tammy Davis, Laura Cobb, Celeste Cooper, Doris Boseman.

# Outstanding skits and strong interest produced an

# ELE X TION FOR CHANGE

The spring elections for student body officers highlighted a busy conclusion to the 1984-85 school year and signaled a promising start for the 1985-86 year. Upperclassmen and faculty members praised the campaign skits as the "the best ever." Adding interest to the skits were the contests for offices. Unlike the last few years, no person ran unopposed. It was, in fact, the first time in years that there was a race for the presidency. A spirit of unity ultimately prevailed after the election of Roger Jenkins, who unseated Martha Wilson, the incumbent vice-president. After years of female-controlled government, students elected two girls and two boys to key positions.

New leadership initiated several new programs. Highlights, in addition to traditional programs, were an assembly to inform students of the new seatbelt law, an inspirational Thanksgiving program, and an unusually successful Homecoming dance. One obvious and innovative approach challenged student minds as the SGA weekly posted an inspirational "thought for the week."

**A BAND OR A D.J. dominates the discu sion of an SGA meeting led by Preside Roger Jenkins and Mrs. Spragins, advise**

# SGA

OPINIONS OF SGA MEMBERS bring smiles from Ronnie Keeter, Senior Class president, and Kim Salmon, SGA secretary, during a planning session for Homecoming.

THE SEATBELT LAW captures the attention of students at an assembly sponsored by the SGA and conducted by Trooper C.F. Bunch of the Highway Patrol

STUDENT BODY OFFICERS. Kim Salmon, secretary; Roger Jenkins, president; Geraldine Spragins, adviser; Walt Burgwyn, treasurer; Doris Boseman, vice-president.

CLASS PRESIDENTS. Front row: Chris Phillips, Scott Griffin, Kim Mayo; back row: Wayne Edwards, Ronnie Keeter, Chuck Podruchny.

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES. Cherie Johnson, Kevin Hales, Anne Morris, Jay Qualls, Tommy Wright, Angie Howell, Tara Inscoe.

PIANO STUDENTS. Front row: Crystal Collins, Amy Clements, Brandon Haigler, Marc King, Darrell Williams, Lauren Buffaloe; second row: Laura Hubbard, Donna Edwards, Clint Edwards, Melinda Thompson, Ashley Moran, Adrienne Daniels; back row: Phil West, Amy Williams, Jason Morris, Phil Spragins, Paula Turner, Shannon Newsome.

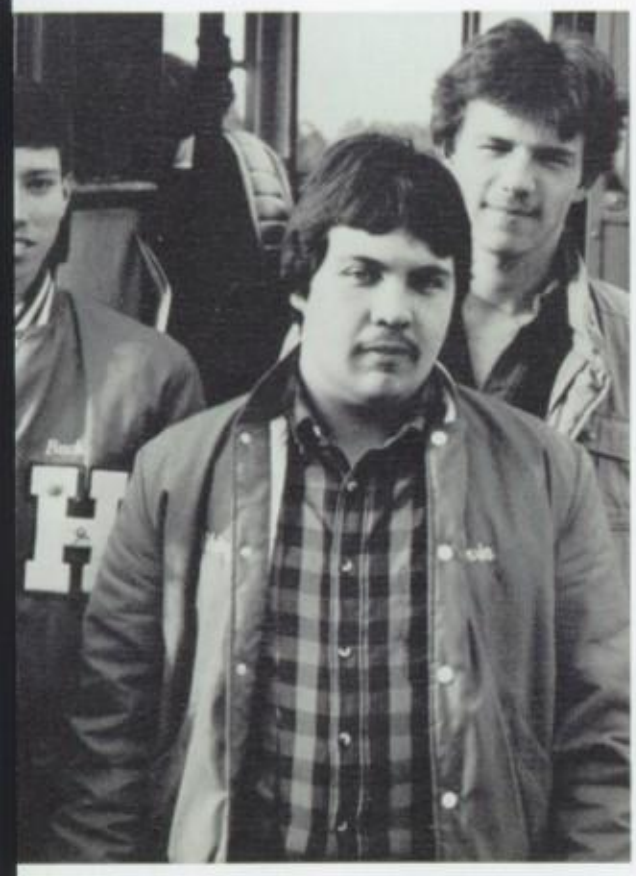
PIANO STUDENTS. Front row: Paul Elder, Heather Shearin, Sarah Buffaloe, Stephanie Vester, Philip Strickland; second row: Amy Roberson, Sara Lee Forehand, Michelle Miles, Mitch Hales, Lyndy Rook, Elena Williams; back row: Kelly Livingston, Susan Griffin, Jennifer Powell, Paul Luter, Anne-Marie Chichester, Gary Edwards.

PIANO STUDENTS. Front row: Lynne Clements, Anna Smith, Wayne Robinson; second row: Tammy Lambert, Lori Davis, Lara Ann Barnhill, Mrs. Newell; back row: Laura Cobb, Martha Meadows, Chris Phillips, Shannon Taylor.

BUS DRIVERS. Front row: Julia Burgess
Kim Johnston, Kevin Smith; back row:
George Norwood, Buck Mims, Jeff Inscoe

# Beta Club

WEARY OF THEIR WELL DOING, Beta Club inductees take the club pledge during a fall assembly.



OFFICERS AND INDUCTEES. Front row: Kim Salmon, secretary; Martha Wilson, president; Doris Boseman, vice-president; Titian Quincy, treasurer; second row: Michelle Allen, Chris Phillips, Laura Cobb, Lara Ann Barnhill; back row; Walt Burgwyn, David Shearin, Bobbie Jo Smith.

MEMBERS. Front row: Valerie Taylor, Traie Mayo, Nora Leigh Hockaday, Melody Smith, Missy Balsley; back row: Debbie Hargrove, Sallie Little, Johnny Shearin, Anne Morris, Angie Sorie, Angie Howell (not shown).

# Blood, Sweat, and Tears

## Pressure for perfection

The finished page in the yearbook disguises the hours of planning and prodding involved in the process. Designing layouts, writing copy to fit precise spaces, cropping photographs, designing graphics, and presenting all of the efforts in a form understandable to the printer presented a challenge in the midst of daily routines. Unlike most schools, the Yearbook Staff worked as an extracurricular force, not a classroom experience. Concerned staffers and the adviser labored after school, during weekends, and even on student holidays. Weeks prior to the deadline initiated hours of overtime and sometimes delivered stress and irritable feelings.

The goal of a contemporary yearbook became the challenge of a staff of nineteen. Frightening to consider, thirteen staffers were first-year members. A summer workshop at High Point College initiated eighteen of the members to the shock that the yearbook work is more work than fun. Section editors attended a workshop in Richmond in September. "Just when we thought we could sit down and catch our breath, the next deadline stared us in the face," expressed the sentiments of Anne Morris and involved staff members.

**THE FIRST OFFICIAL MEETING comes in the form of fun at a spring cookout at Mr. Nelson's. Ready to receive ad assignments, Kim Salmon, Jenny Sharpe, Martha Wilson, and Roger Jenkins energized themselves for the hectic deadlines ahead.**

LAYOUT DESIGN represents one aspect of a meeting of Mr. Mike Spencer, Hunter Publishing representative, and Mr. Nelson, yearbook adviser.

THE POWER IS OFF on the girls' floor at High Point College. Kim Salmon searches for luck from the boys' floor to prepare for a busy workshop day.

# Yearbook Staff

SECTION EDITORS. Front row: Titian Quincy, Chief; Tammy Davis, Personalities; Martha Wilson, Athletics; back row: Jenny Sharpe, Organizations/Ads; Rodney Nelson, Adviser; Kim Salmon, Student Life.

MEMBERS. Front row: Walt Burgwyn, Wayne Edwards, Nora Leigh Hockaday, Chris Phillips; second row: Roger Jenkins, Angie Howell, Michael Smith, Aimee Phillips, Laura Cobb; back row: Bo Burgwyn, Doris Boseman, Valerie Taylor, Anne Morris, Mark Brett.

**THE ROGER ROAST captivates the student body on SGA Election Day. Les Abshire, Walt Burgwyn, and Will Pleasant were among panel members who boasted of the qualities of presidential candidate Roger Jenkins.**

## Heavily involved, some students felt

# CLUBBED TO DEATH

When yearbook deadlines arrived, the realization of how involved some students were became clear. Other activities, sometimes clubs and sometimes athletics and sometimes academics, crept into the battle for time. The game was a survival of the fittest.

**AWARENESS OF BLESSINGS is the subject of Roger Jenkins' address to close the Thanksgiving assembly, which included various participants.**

**THE LONG HOURS of the Hunter Yearbook Workshop and the dorm life of High Point College explain Walt Burgwyn's exhaustion as he waits to travel for a tour of Hunter Publishing Company in Winston-Salem.**

# Monogram Club

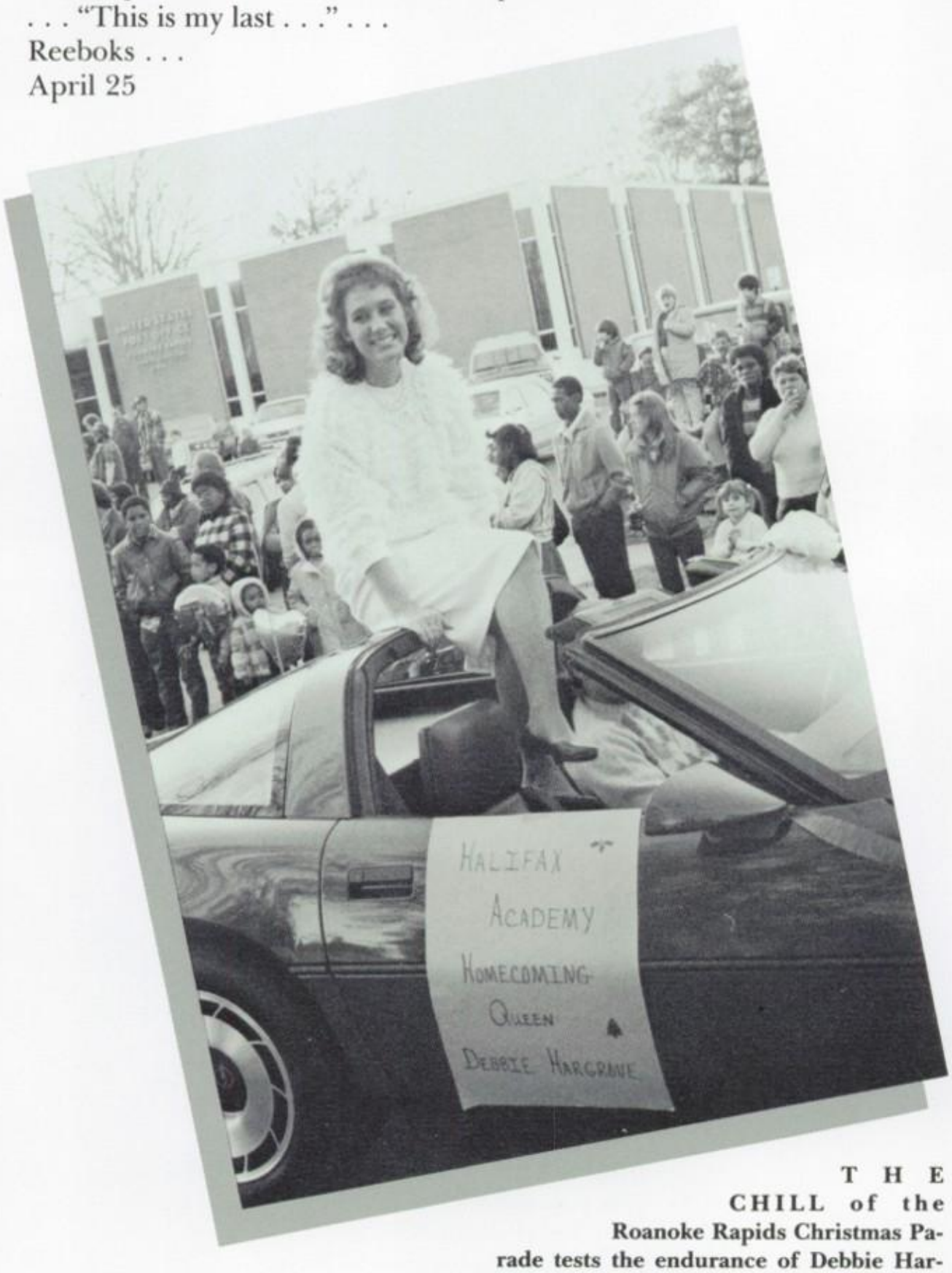
FRESHMEN AND SOPHOMORES. Front row: Ashley Riggan, Laura Cobb, Chris Phillips, Jennifer Allen, Tina Browder, Denise Pittard; second row: Chuck Podruchny, Cherie Johnson, Lisa Outlaw, Brady Hargrove, Kaye Rowland, Angela Green, Tina Lassiter; third row: Jason Cooke, Hayden Faucett, Bobbie Jo Smith, Lynn Aycock, Patrick Qualls, Walt Burgwyn, Andy Liles, back row: Andy Hale, Cliff Johnson, Marc Roberson, Ricky Barnes, Russ Taylor, Bert Warren, Shelton Jenkins.

JUNIORS. Front row: Tammy Davis, Jan Gardner, Missy Balsley, Wendy Etheridge, Joey White, Wayne Edwards; second row: Mr. Elam (adviser), Valerie Taylor, Becky Cooper, Tommie Jan Best, Donna Abshire, Traie Mayo, Mr. Alston (adviser); back row: Bo Burgwyn, Doris Boseman, Anne Morris, Johnny Shearin, Craig Moseley.

SENIORS. Front row: Debbie Hargrove, Jill Dickens, Albert Etheridge (vice-president), Melissa Harris, Jeff Green, Roger Jenkins; second row: Ronnie Keeter (president), Mark Overby, Martha Wilson (secretary), Angie Howell, Sallie Little, Ken Morris; back row: Tony Grizzard, Tommy Wright (treasurer), Scott Ingledue, Jeff Inscoe, Buck Mims, Kim Salmon (not shown).

# Student Life

Casper . . . Miss Debbie Hargrove . . . Stirrups . . .
Coca-Cola . . . Teddy Bears . . . Air Jordans . . . 501's
. . . October 18 . . . Astro . . . Drifting Dreams . . .
Wish Upon a Star . . . Silver and Purple
. . . "This is my last . . ." . . .
Reeboks . . .
April 25




**T H E CHILL of the Roanoke Rapids Christmas Parade tests the endurance of Debbie Hargrove, Homecoming queen. Debbie represented one of many school entries and characterized the diversity of student life.**

**BEFORE THE GLARE AND THE GLITTER become a reality, Buck Mims and Angie Sorie clip and staple . . . and eventually stapled Angie's finger!**

**ALL SMILES ON ONE OF THEIR BIG NIGHTS, Melvin Green, Les Abshire, and Will Pleasant take a break from watching the goldfish to take time to reminisce as friends.**

**THE GRAND ENTRANCE INTO THE UNKNOWN awaits the seniors and their dates. Mrs. Aycock checked her list to see that everyone was in place for the Senior Walk.**

# Not just a gym, but a dreamland

Although the 1985 Junior-Senior Prom started slowly, by the night of April 26, the gym had turned into a dreamland that no one would forget. From a stairway to heaven, a dream castle, a drifting dreams balloon, to a balloon fountain filled with goldfish, the decorative atmosphere could not have related the theme "On the Edge of a Dream" more perfectly.

The work on the gym began April 19 with few people helping construct the walls; in fact, most days and nights of preparation saw less than half the class present to work. However, when the work was completed, everyone had contributed in some way whether it was by coloring a wall, stapling paper, stringing angel hair, or inflating balloons. Pam Shearin recalled, "I didn't think I'd ever finish that gigantic teddy bear, and I really got worried when we ran out of paper and had to use toilet tissue."

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**DURING THE EARLY PART OF THE WEEK OF DECORATING, Mark Brett and Roger Jenkins prepare a space age mural while Kevin Smith observes.**

**THE DANCE FLOOR, occupied by the seniors at the time, gains the attention of juniors of 42nd Street.**

# Not just a gym, but a dreamland

**continued**

After the frantic pace and the fun-filled hours of preparation, Friday arrived. Still there was work to be done. Tables had had to be positioned, and the plates, napkins, and name tags had to be placed on them. The streamers had to be strung, and final food preparations had to be made. For many, working on the Prom preparations provided more fun than attending as classmates were always playing around and having fun as friends. Kim Salmon echoed those sentiments when she remembered, "Making all the finishing touches was the most exciting part. It was then that I finally realized that I had helped to create a prom that was going to take place that very night."

Traditionally, the seniors realized the efforts of the juniors as they debuted during the Senior Walk. As the purple and silver sparkled and the seniors were introduced by Class President Ronnie Keeter, Casper provided music to match the quality of the occasion . . . and dreams became realities.

**AFTER THE TRADITIONAL SENIOR WALK, seniors and their dates danced to a packed gym of proud parents who came to view the grand entrance. Lynn Joyner and her date Jay Walker shared part of the spotlight.**

**THE FLASHES OF CAMERAS AND THE EXCITEMENT OF THE EVENING reflect in the eyes of Clemen Perez, 1984-85 exchange student from Ecuador, and her escort Scott Ingledue.**

**IN THE MIDST OF A DREAMLAND EVENING, Pam Shearin and Melvin Green join Wendy Bunch and Todd Clements for some casual conversation in formal attire.**

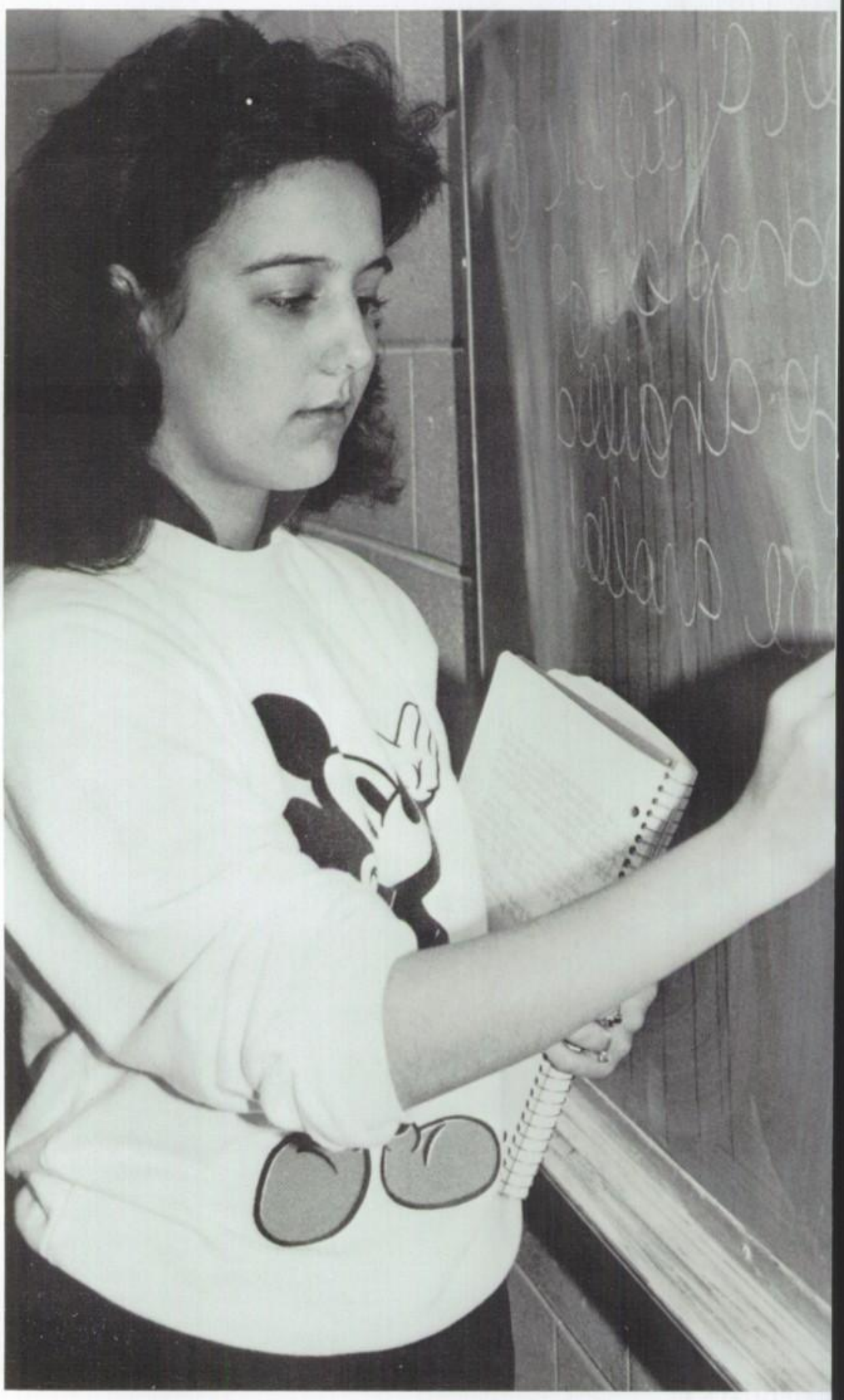
**THE DAY'S EVENTS CULMINATE as the seniors and their escorts patiently await the introduction of another of their classmates during the Senior Walk.**

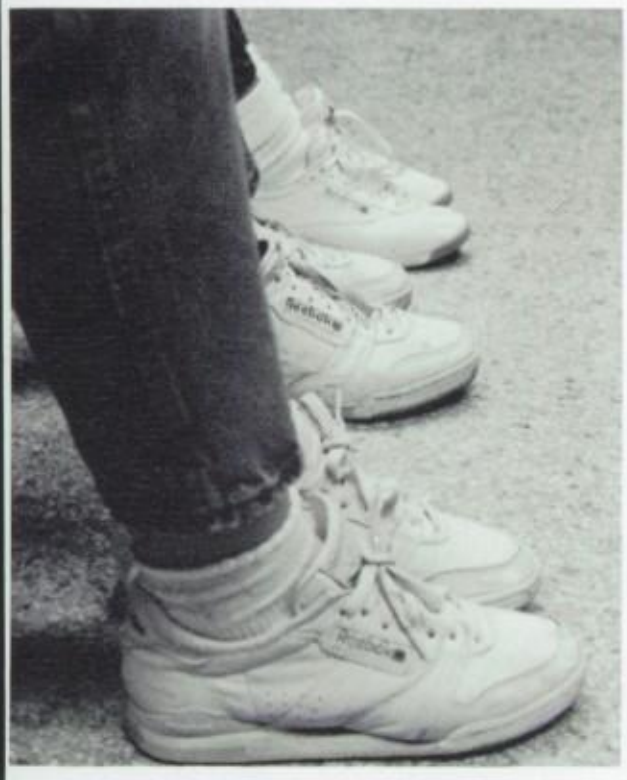
# SOMETIMES A NOTION TAKES OVER A NATION

From stirrup pants to Air Jordans and from Mickey Mouse sweatshirts to paisley prints, students styled themselves with crazes that took over the nation. Among the big new fashionable items were Reeboks, Coke clothes, 501 Levi jeans for the guys, rhinestone jewelry, and brooches.

**STYLES CONTINUE to vary as Kim Salmon, Amy Allen, Terri Chichester, and Tammy Davis enjoy a morning break.**

**WRITING SENTENCES on the board in English class allows the other students to see their mistakes. Sandy Ferrell showed off her Mickey Mouse apparel as she demonstrated sentence combining techniques.**





**WEARING REEBOKS** is almost a must. This trend was seen as most students wore the new athletic shoes.

**CABBAGE PATCH KIDS** Melvin, Juline, and Arlena sit in the laps of Pam Shearin, Melissa Harris, and Kim Salmon. The dolls were big items that girls of all ages loved to own.

**POPULAR WITH THE YOUNGER GENERATION,** the charm necklace of Rachel Baker typifies another fashion trend.

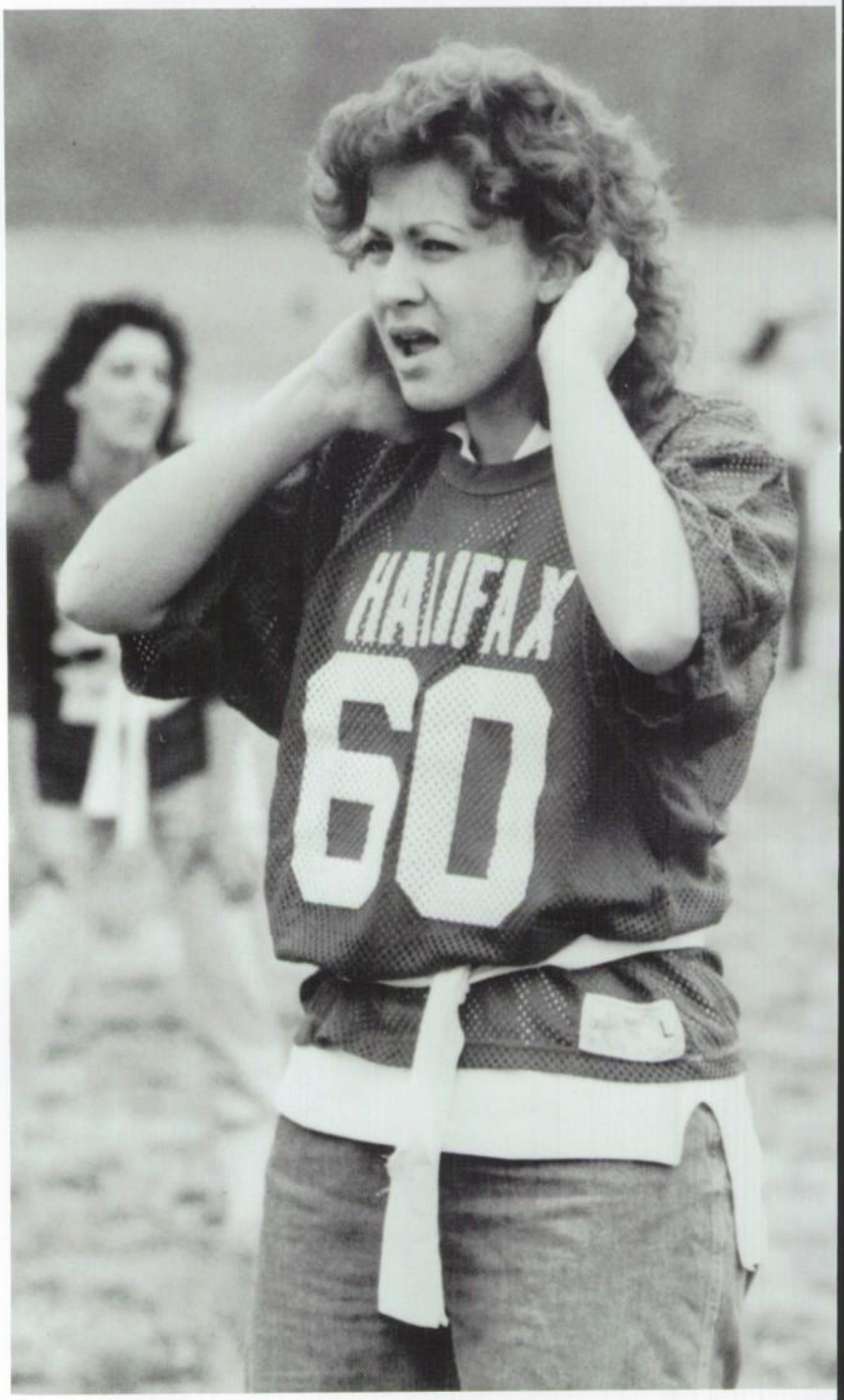
**CUTE, LOVABLE, AND ADORABLE** describe the posing stuffed animals. Teddy bears were popular collectibles that the girls loved to give and to receive.

# Powdered players pursued the pigskin

The 1985 Powder Puff Football Game sparkled with success and was a spring highlight. Grades 7, 9, and 11 teamed to form the Green team while grades 8, 10, and 12 comprised the White team. The contest turned friends into archrivals as the game turned out to be a defensive struggle. The game's only score came late in the third quarter when the Green team's quarterback Martha Wilson connected with receiver Jill Dickens for a long touchdown completion.

Halftime brought the crowning of the Powder Puff king. After the student body election, students witnessed the coronation of Timmy Liles as King Powder Puff.

**THE INTRODUCTION OF THE POWDER PUFF COURT AND THEIR ESCORTS provides a break for chief cheerleader Les Abshire.**




**THE INTENSITY OF THE BATTLE demands the attention of Kim Salmon, a member of the victorious Green team.**

AFTER THE CORONATION CEREMONIES, Timmy Liles poses with his court. Other candidates were Ronnie Keeter, Bo Burgwyn, Shawn Gardner, Lynn Moseley, Chuck Podruchny, Mark Garriss, Walt Burgwyn, Russ Taylor, and Robbie Harris.

THE POWER RUNNING of Tina Lassiter highlights the action for the victorious Greens.

AT THE LINE OF SCRIMMAGE, the Greens dare the Whites to advance the ball.

THE SPOILS OF VICTORY belong to Timmy Liles, King Powder Puff, and Mrs. Sue Liles, his escort.

**THE TERRORS OF TRANSLATING** sociology homework highlight a study hall session for exchange student Karla Montealegre and her classmate Jenny Sharpe.

**AN EARLIER DEPARTURE** typifies the student life of riding a bus. Jenny Sharpe used a quiet moment to her advantage and tried to make up for lost sleep.

**THE POPULARITY OF PUNK** reigns supreme in some high schools in America; however, the punk style, limited for the most part, managed its greatest popularity during a day of Homecoming's Spirit Week as Debbie Hargrove and Kim Salmon modeled the fashion.

**THE PRICE OF PROMINENCE** characterizes the tradition of the Junior-Senior. Roger Jenkins and Michael Smith examined the available styles, especially the classic look.

# WHAT'S HOT . . . WHAT'S NOT

Driving to school is hot; riding the bus is not.
Applying to colleges is hot; paying the application fees is not.
Being a VIKING is hot; being a YELLOW JACKET is not.
Receiving flowers is hot; sending them to yourself is not.

Getting a school holiday is hot; getting suspended is not.
Living out your dream fantasy on Saturday night is hot; living it with Mr. Rourke is not.
Driving your new car to school is hot; having your hubcaps stolen is not.
Making two points is hot; making them for the other team is not.
Graduating is hot; leaving all your friends is not.
Alpine car stereos are hot; G.E.'s are not.
Going to the beach at Easter is hot; the temperature being ten below is not.
Playing basketball is hot; going to practice is not.
Having the prettiest dress at the prom is hot; having the ugliest date is not.
Being a member of more than one club is hot; having to do things for all of them at the same time is not.
Going punk during Homecoming Week is hot; any other time is not.
Being on the Annual Staff is hot; selling ads is not.
Going to London is hot; turning green on the way to Scotland is not.
Being an exchange student is hot; not understanding anything the first week is not.
Going to the prom is hot; paying the rental cost for a tux is not.

## Spring brought energy and Field Day was

# GETTING THINGS ROLLING

With the arrival of spring, students began preparation for Field Day. Highlights of the events were Tommy Wright's victory in the 100-yard dash and Andy Hale's and Walt Burgwyn's demonstration in the egg toss. With the afternoon approaching an end, the standings showed that the last event would decide the champion. The Class of '85 regrouped and took the victory, and the Class of '86 finished second.

**WITH HIS EYES ON THE FINISH LINE, Walt Burgwyn competes in the sack race.**

**IN HOPES THAT THE CONTENTS WILL NOT BE DROPPED, Ricky Barnes hands the container of rice to Heather Beauford.**

**THE STEADY HAND of Ronnie Keeter holds the key to a possible victory in filling the jar with water. Brett Booth assisted the attempt.**

**SPEED AND AGILITY ARE ESSENTIAL as "Toot" Elias swiftly confronts the goal line and is bolstered by the support of Lynn Moseley and Will Pleasant.**

**FEATURED AT A SPRING ASSEMBLY, Gary Newell, former Los Angeles Ram, greets Lisa Outlaw and other high school students.**

**REMAINING AFTER THE ATHLETIC BANQUET, Rob Rogers, former UNC placekicker, shares a friendly chat with Martha Wilson and others.**

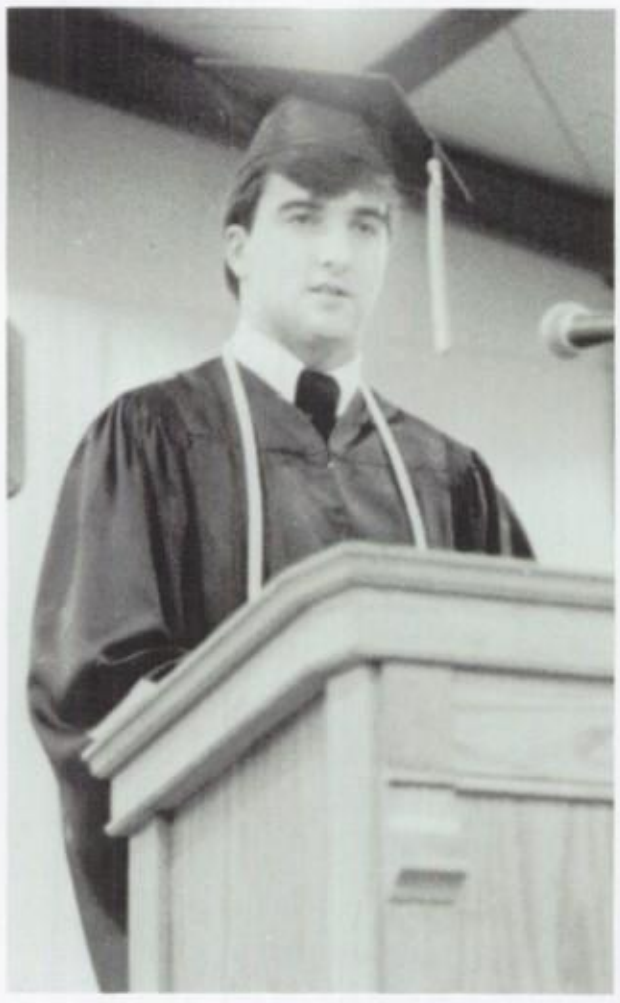
## More than just an

# ECHO

Capturing and keeping a whole student body's attention twice on the same subject was no easy task. However, with such great speakers as Rob Rogers, athletic banquet speaker, and Gary Newell, spring assembly speaker, everyone remained interested. Both speakers emphasized the same suggestions: "You are who you think you are. You can if you think you can. If you don't, who will?" The speakers dazzled the audiences with serious thoughts to consider.

**THE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES DRAW TO A CLOSE as Mr. Mayo confirms to the members of the Class of '85 that they are graduates of Halifax Academy.**

**WITH WORDS OF WELCOME during the salutatory address, Les Abshire admonishes his classmates to "make no mistake about it," the milestone has come.**



**SELECTED BY THE CLASS AS MASCOTS are Jeanie Minton and Joey Elias.**

**MARSHALS, SELECTED FOR ACADEMIC STANDING, are Angie Howell (co-chief), Angie Sorie, Sallie Little, Melody Smith, Martha Wilson (chief), and Titian Quincy.**

# Moving the tassel

"Friends are friends forever," a line from "Friends," sung by Nancy Strickland and Linda Sholar, captured the sentiments of most of the Class of 1985. Twenty-nine students, clad in green caps and gowns, concluded their student days at Halifax Academy on Friday, May 31, 1985. Among various student speakers, the Reverend Tom Sweeley, pastor of Littleton United Methodist Church, delivered the commencement address. The class presented a video cassette recorder for the traditional farewell gift.

The baccalaureate sermon was delivered on Sunday, May 26, by the Reverend David Wood, pastor of Roanoke Baptist Church. Expressing the feeling of many, Will Pleasant said, "I wish we could stay a little longer." Nevertheless, the class members moved the tassels and ventured into new worlds of work and higher education.

**AS MEMBERS OF THE CLASS proceed to the stage to receive their diplomas, Sharon Keener, Lori Edwards, and Susan Nelson await their turns with mixed emotions.**

**JUST BEFORE THE POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE, the valedictory address is delivered by Anna Bass.**

# For many, there were NO LAZY DAYS

Who said the days of summer were lazy? Whoever it was evidently didn't attend Halifax Academy. Students lived out of suitcases probably most of the summer; and when they didn't, they were busy at work.

As the summer began, students took part in Boys' and Girls' State while others attended cheerleading and basketball camps. The Yearbook Staff also took part in a yearbook workshop at High Point College.

Other activities throughout the summer included jobs of all sorts, vacations to the beach, trips to Carowinds and Busch Gardens, and then rare days of just relaxing at the lake with good friends.

**THE CREATION of new cheers and new stunts is hard work. Tommie Best, Wendy Etheridge, Cherie Johnson, and Lisa Outlaw valued the opportunities of cheerleading camp.**

A GOOD WAY to spend an evening is at the outdoor drama "Brigadoon" with actress and actor Amelia Jester and Robert Matthews. A number of students and staff participated in the productions.

BEFORE SCHOOL EVER ENDS one year, work on the next year's annual begins. Tammy Davis, Michael Smith, Valerie Taylor, and Jenny Sharpe spent late hours practicing on layouts at High Point College.

THE ELITE SPIRIT of Oxford University partially portrays the experience of Tammy Davis, Taylor Hawkins, Anne Morris, and Nora Leigh Hockaday during a summer venture to London and Scotland with Mr. Nelson.

THE RIGHT ATMOSPHERE for a good time exists at High Point College. Titian Quincy, Angie Howell, Michael Smith, and Roger Jenkins combine work and play while at the summer workshop.

# The holiday season brought out THE BEST

From partying to providing for the needy, the holiday season was definitely busy. Not only were various clubs involved in planning activities, but classes and individuals also were busy with preparations.

The SGA and the Anchor Club were two of the busiest organizations prior to the holidays. The SGA took care packages to the Carolina Rest Home and also held the annual Christmas program and party. The Anchor club members were the Secret Santas for the teachers, and the members also held a luncheon before the Christmas vacation began.

Christmas parades and other activities took place over the holidays. However, the most special events were the usual ones relaxing, eating, and spending time with family and friends.

**WITH A LITTLE CHEER the SGA provides the Carolina Rest Home residents with a little of the spirit of Christmas. SGA officers Kim Salmon and Roger Jenkins, along with Mrs. Spragins, delivered gift packages to the residents.**

**WITH WONDER, Mrs. Conner shakes her Christmas gift presented by the faculty.**

**DURING A FAVORITE ACTIVITY of the Anchor Club, Jennifer Allen enjoys a festive luncheon before Christmas vacation.**

**WHO DOESN't LOVE A PARADE? The Cheerleaders enjoyed riding in the Roanoke Rapids parade on their specially designed float.**

**A SURPRISE VISIT by Santa even excites teenagers and teachers. Roger Jenkins, Santa's helper, presented gifts to high school faculty members at the annual Christmas program.**

**THE CHANCE TO PERFORM intrigues Mark Brett, Mark Overby, Ronnie Keeter, Charlie Harlow, and Roger Jenkins. They showed off their rhythmic talents with the rest of the seniors at the Christmas program.**

# Then came the VICTORIES

With a whirlwind of activity, festivities for Homecoming '85 began as students dressed in their tackiest attire on Monday, October 14. Punk Rock Day on Tuesday saw students in creative, but sometimes scarey, outfits. No day "psyched" spirits as much as Opposite Sex Day on Wednesday. Brutish girls in football pads and guys transformed into somewhat attractive females (make-up and high heels included) rated the day one to remember.

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**THE CORONATION OF THE HOMECOMING QUEEN is a highlight of Homecoming Week. Seniors selected by their classmates to vie for the coveted crown were Angie Howell, Angie Sorie, Suzanne Perry, and Debbie Hargrove.**

**THE HOMECOMING PEP RALLY is in gear as Joey White victoriously waves the spirit stick, captured by the Class of '87 for their top performance in the week's activities.**

**PUNK ROCK DAY, A STUDENT FAVORITE, allows Angie Sorie a change from the daily attire. During morning break, Angie questioned her own appearance.**

**SELECTED BY THEIR HOMEROOMS AS HOMECOMING COURT ATTENDANTS are Denise Pittard, Windy Hurst, Georgette Farrell, Wendy King, Christine Taylor, Tammy Davis, Elizabeth Boyd Balsley, and Wendy Etheridge.**

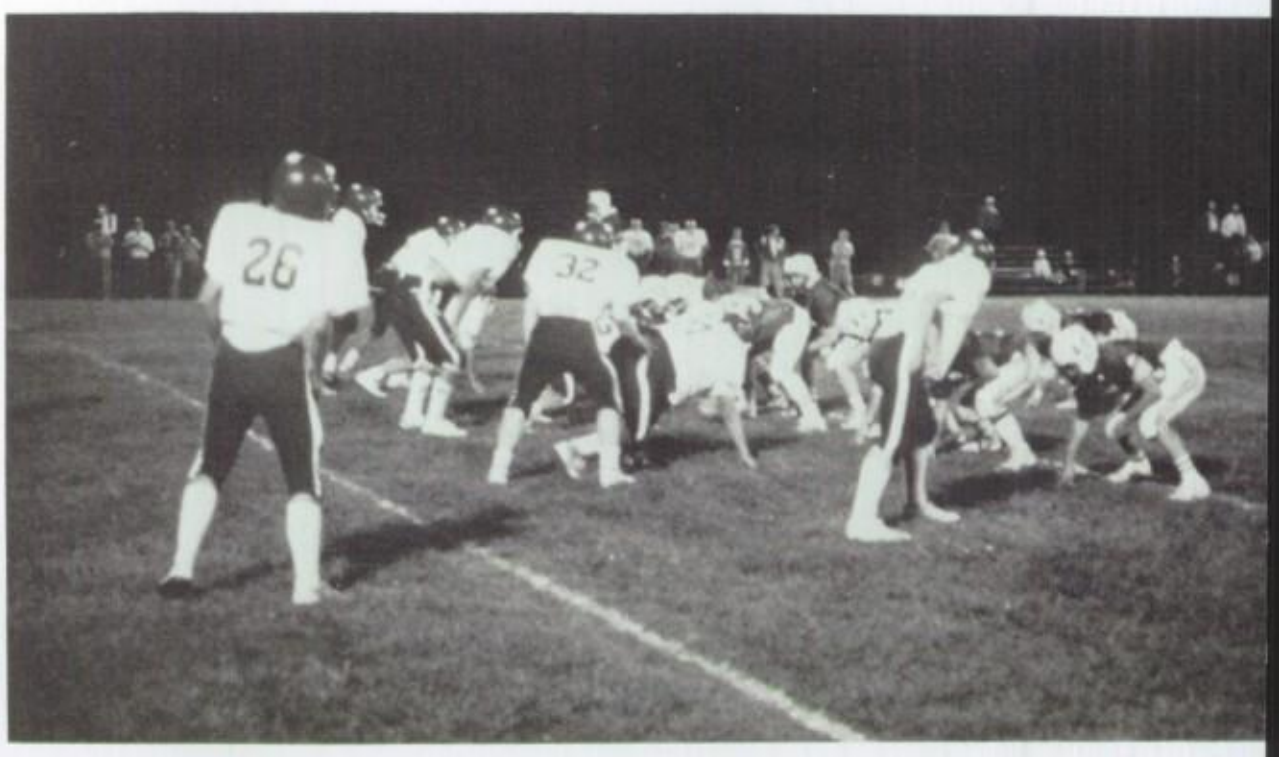
**PROMOTING SCHOOL SPIRIT DEMANDS BRAVERY. On Opposite Sex Day, Jeff Green, Tommy Wright, and Mark Brett converse during a moment's escape from the glare of the student body.**

**THE CLASS RING REPRESENTATIVE'S APPEARANCE on Punk Rock Day adds more excitement to the events for Michelle Allen and Ashley Riggan.**

# Then came the VICTORIES

**continued**

Favorite colleges were represented on Thursday as students prided themselves in Carolina blue, State red, and a sprinkling of other shades. Following tradition, unity in color prevailed on Friday on Green and White Day. Unlike the previous year, one major pep rally was held on Friday afternoon rather than morning rallies during the week. The fight for the spirit stick ignited competition among the classes. (continued on page 118)



**WITH A LARGE HOMECOMING CROWD supporting his efforts, quarterback Walt Burgwyn goes under center as the Vikes roll past Northeast.**

**THE HOMECOMING DANCE DELIGHTS Karla Montealegre. The events were among the many firsts for Karla, exchange student from Costa Rica.**

**AFTER A WEEK OF PROMOTING SCHOOL SPIRIT, Lisa Outlaw encourages the Vikings on the field.**

**THE OUTLANDISH OUTFITS of Anne Morris and Walt Burgwyn typify the spirit on Punk Rock Day.**

**DURING THE HOMECOMING DANCE, Debbie Hargrove, Homecoming queen, and her escort Michael Jones share the spotlight with the queen's court during the traditional court presentation.**

**AS THE VIKINGS ADVANCE THE BALL against Northeast, the Homecoming flare is evident on the sidelines in the expression of Tommie Jan Best.**

**A VICTIM OF VIKING FEVER, Missy Balsley prepares to unveil a new part of the Homecoming halftime spectacular. Upon the crowning of the queen, the cheerleaders released colorful balloons.**

# Then came the VICTORIES

**continued**

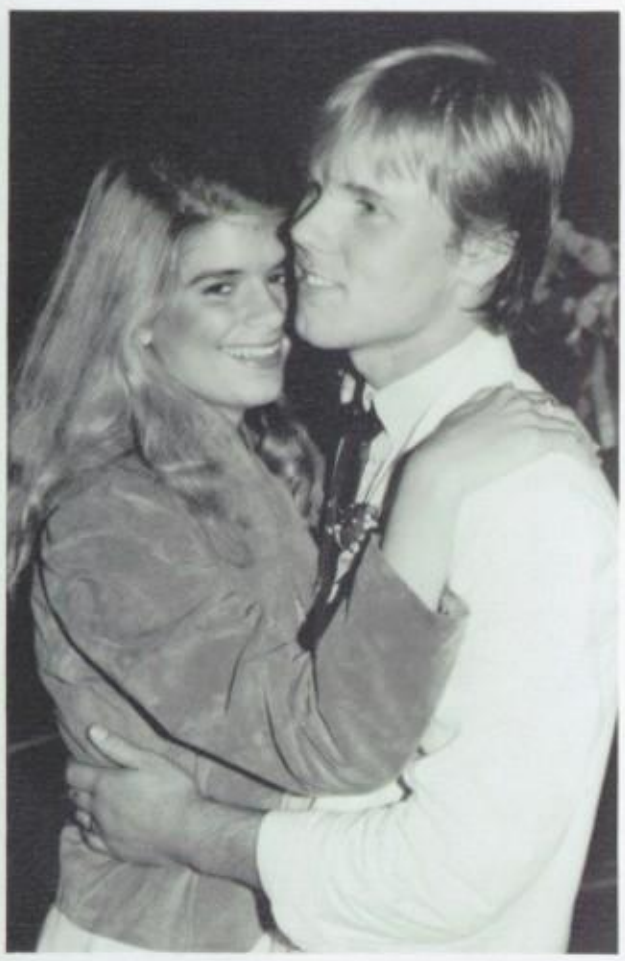
With the spirit stick theirs, the Class of '87 enthused the Vikes to avenge an early-season heartbreaking loss to Northeast. With the team ahead at the half and on the way to victory, Miss Deborah Jean Hargrove, daughter of Raymond and Barbara Hargrove, was crowned Homecoming queen. Overwhelmed at the announcement, Debbie recalled, "I was really shocked! I had no idea that I would win!"

The S.G.A. opted to hire a disc jockey rather than a live band for the dance. Skeptical initially, the student body reacted favorably with strong attendance. That success was just a part of a week of victories. Kim Salmon lamented, "I'll never forget my senior Homecoming Week."

**THE DISC JOCKEY GAINS THE FAVOR of the student body and gathers them to surround the faculty and chaperones. Roger Jenkins, student body president, joined Mrs. Spragins to revive the twist.**

**SHOCKED BY THE ANNOUNCEMENT, Debbie Hargrove and her father Raymond Hargrove allow the host of photographers time for a pose.**

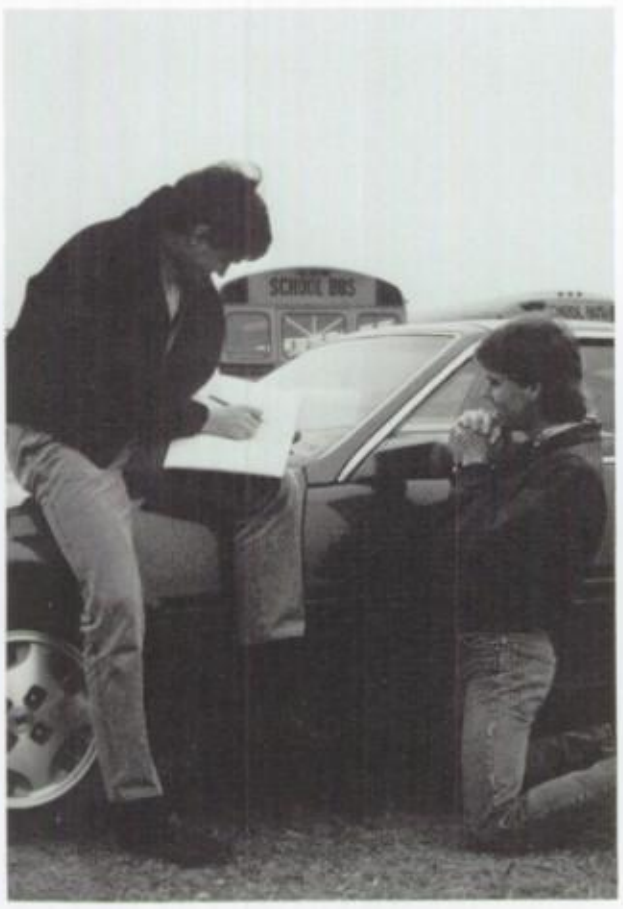
TEARS OF JOY express the excitement of Debbie Hargrove after she has been crowned by Tammy Podruchny, 1984-85 queen.



WITH THE REMAINDER OF THE HOMECOMING COURT sharing the spotlight, Angie Howell and Jeff Green smile to reflect the happiness of the evening during the court's dance.

MAKING SURE THAT THE BALLOONS do not depart prematurely, Anne Morris, Tommie Jan Best, Sallie Little, and Jan Gardner await the magic moment of the Homecoming halftime.

**A FEW TIPS from Martha Wilson help Melissa Harris to complete a computer program.**



**"FORGIVE ME," pleads Jeff Green, as he recalls backing into Mr. Nelson's new car.**

**WAITING IN LINE delivers no excitement. Pam Shearin, Melissa Rhea, and Melissa Harris found shorter lines because they were seniors.**

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. . . someone gets a 99 on a test and complains?

. . . you walk down the hall with toilet paper stuck to the bottom of your shoe?

. . . you and your boyfriend break up a week before the prom?

. . . you have an annual deadline to meet, an L.P. to turn in, basketball practice, plus regular homework all in the same week?

. . . it's your third tardy and you get put in detention hall?

. . . you go to the barber and he refers you to a landscape architect?

. . . you dream you ate the world's largest marshmallow; and when you wake up, your pillow is missing?

. . . you get behind a group of Hell's Angels and your horn gets stuck?

. . . you've done every problem of your homework but the one the teacher calls on you to answer?

. . . a teacher says, "Get out a sheet of looseleaf notebook paper"?

. . . you get in the lunchroom five minutes before the seniors and you still have to wait?

. . . you hear the phone ringing and rush to get it and then it stops ringing?

. . . you rush to get your writing folder finished and Mr. Nelson doesn't take it up?

. . . a teacher checks the roll before the tardy bell rings?

. . . you can't decide whether you want Coke or Pepsi, much less what college you want to attend?

. . . you go to the dentist and he continually asks you questions while he has both hands in your mouth?

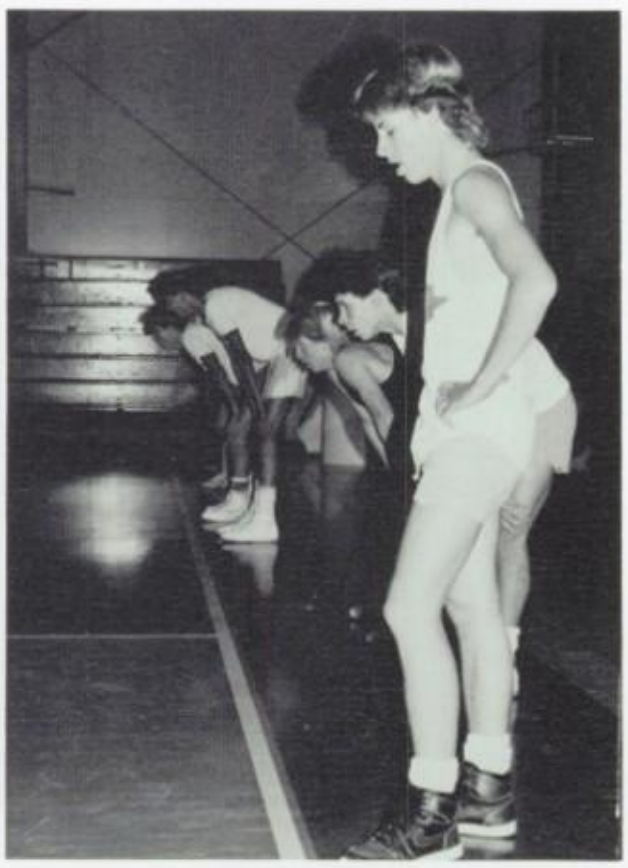
. . . the coach says, "BASELINE"?

. . . you decide to have a small party and half of Roanoke Rapids shows up?

. . . your parents read everything that your friends have written in your **VOYAGER** and you get grounded for all the things you didn't tell them you did?

. . . everything that happens is your last everything that will EVER happen because you're a senior?

*. . . you wake up one morning and realize that your last year of high school is suddenly slipping away before your eyes?*



**"BASELINE" confirms that basketball tryouts have begun. Andy Hale and others experienced the terror during varsity preseason drills.**

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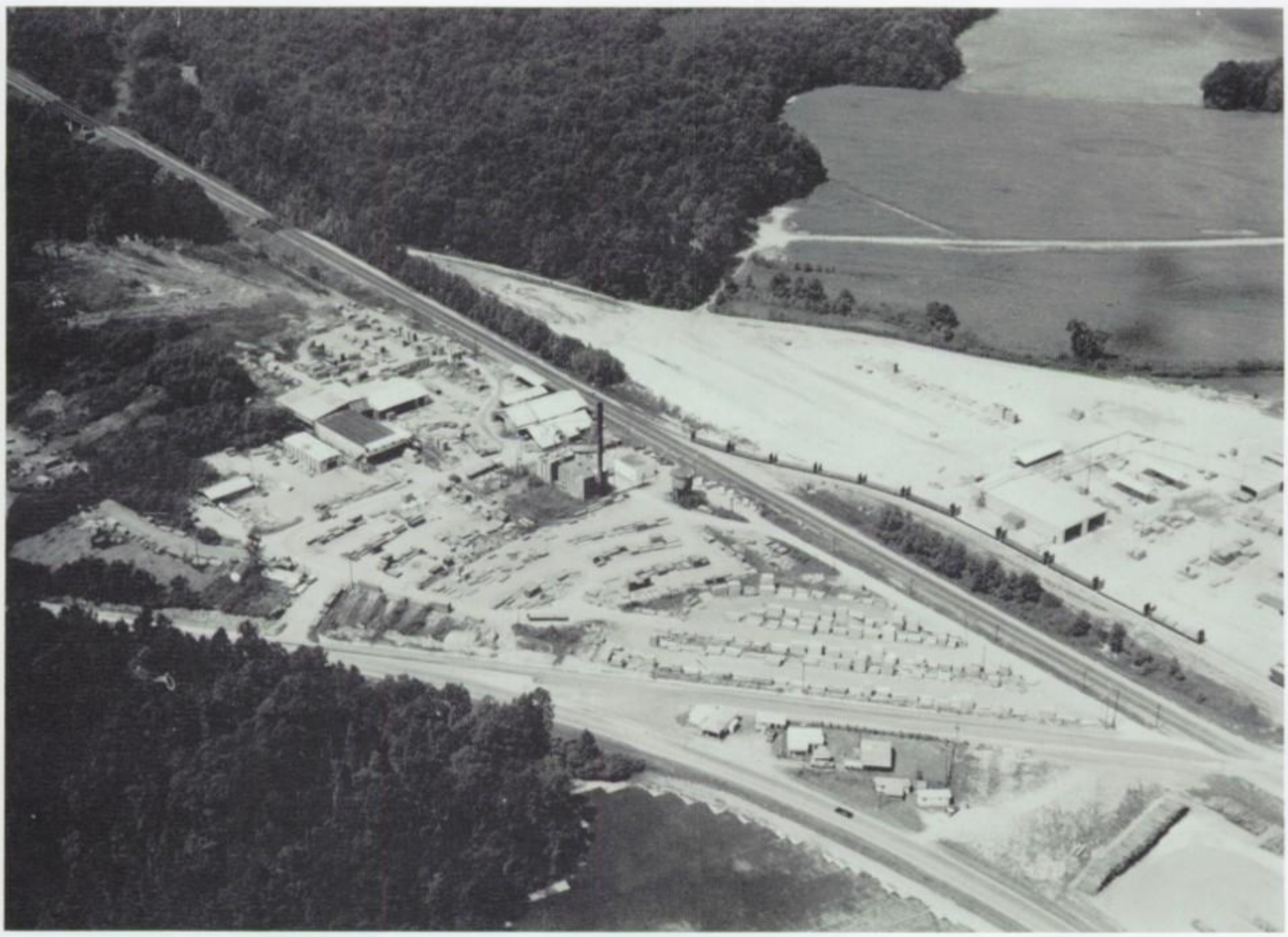

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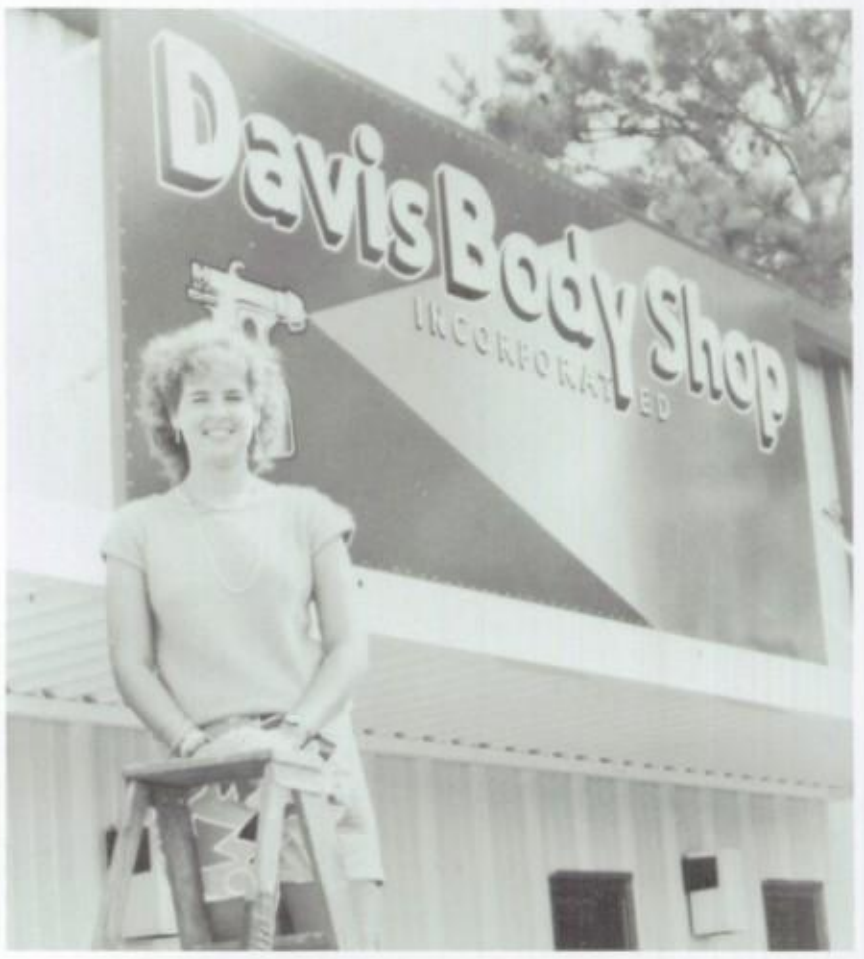


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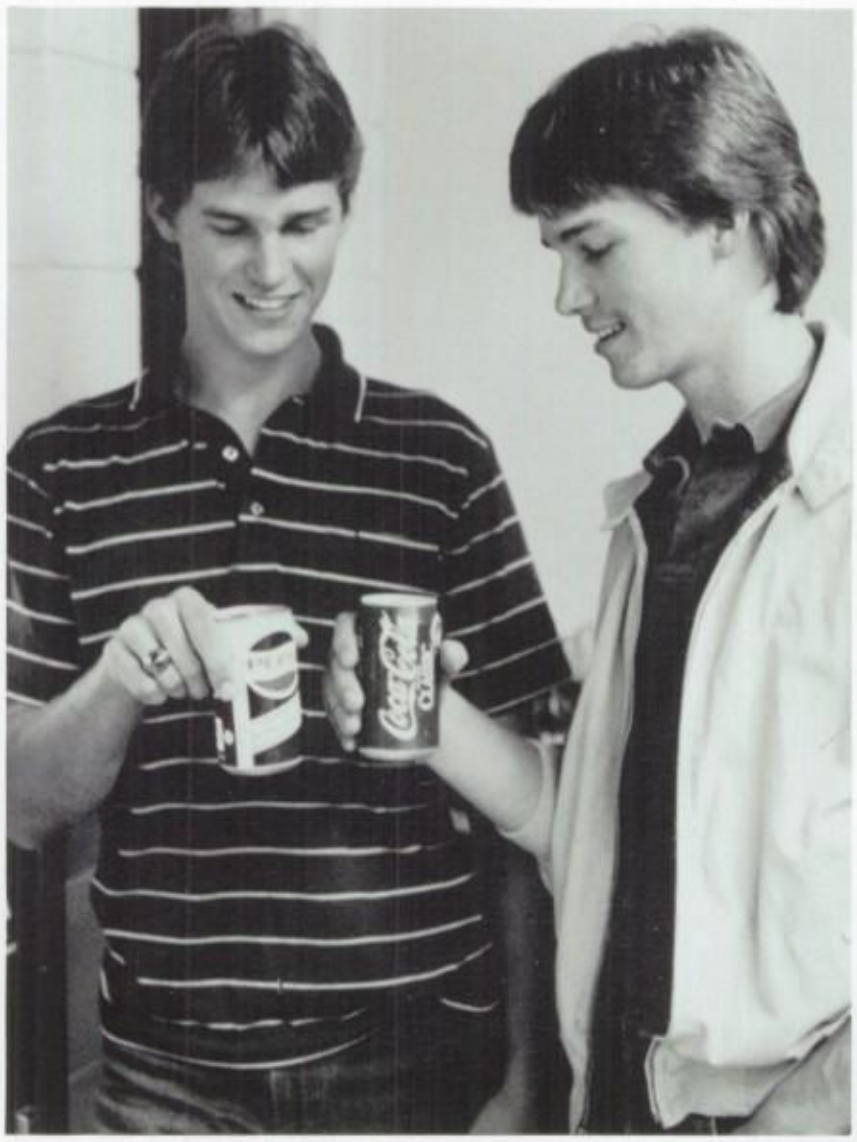

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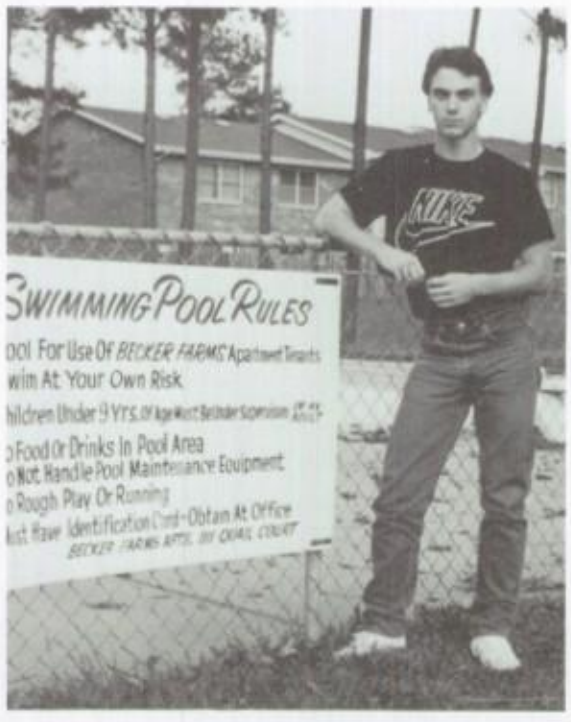
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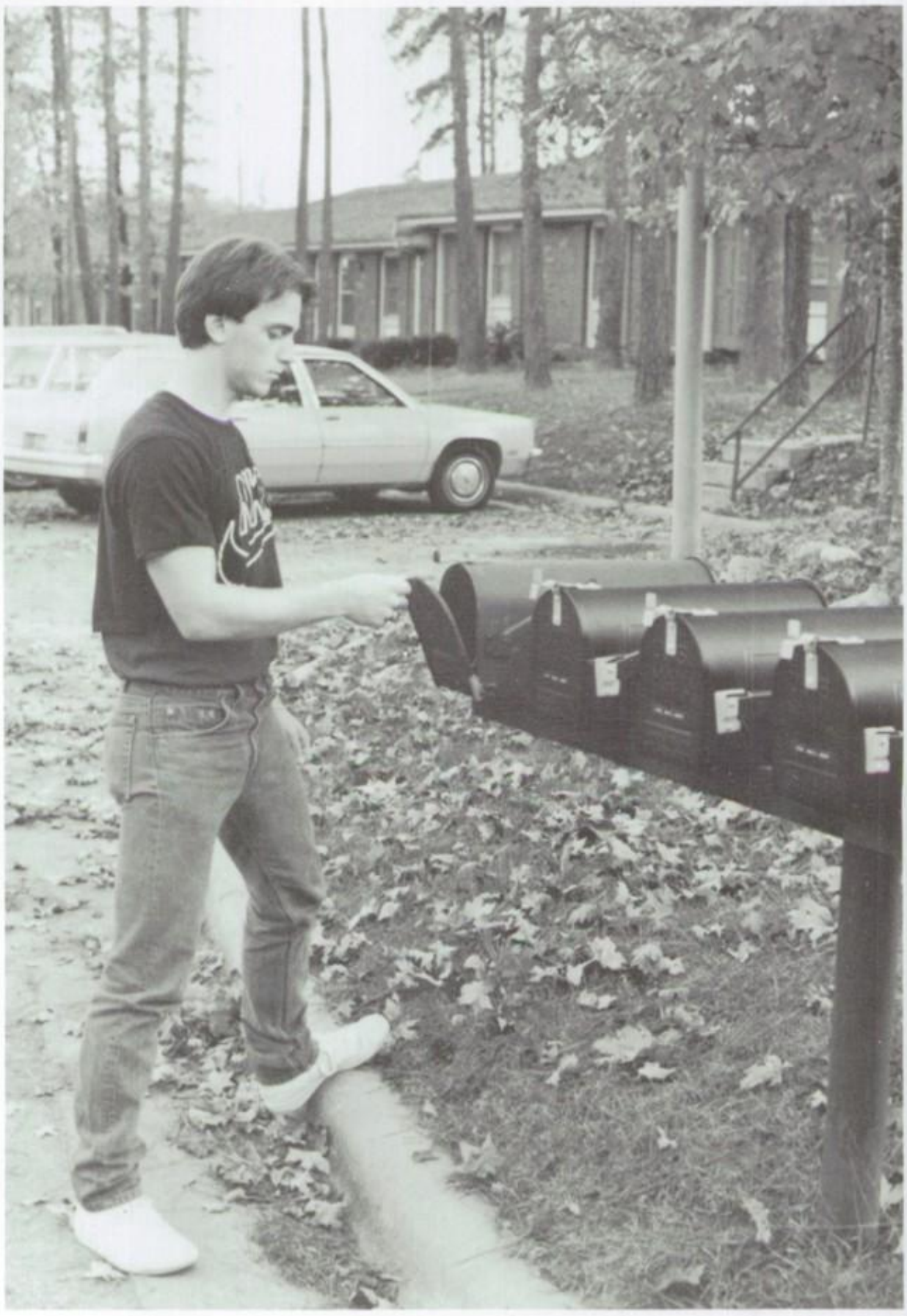

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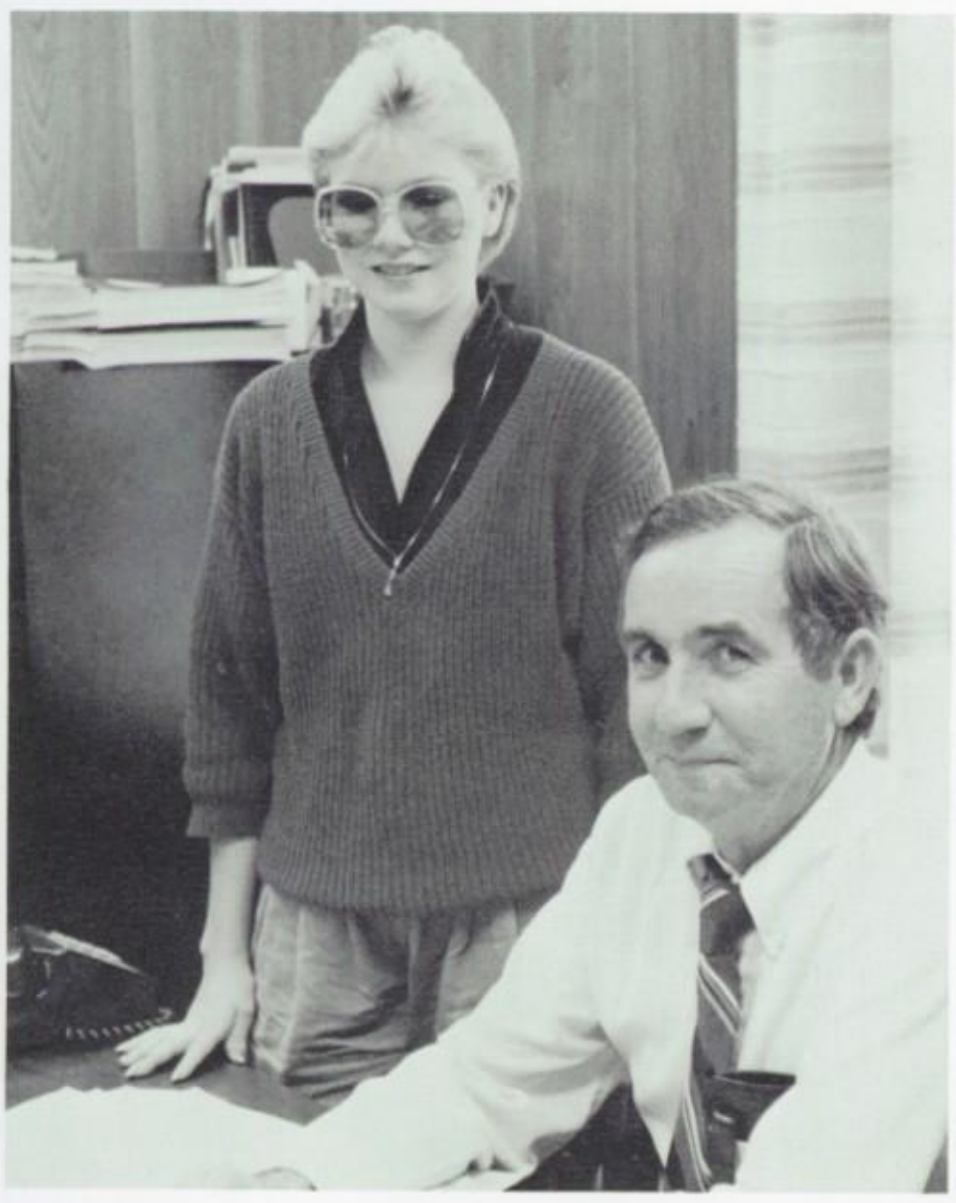

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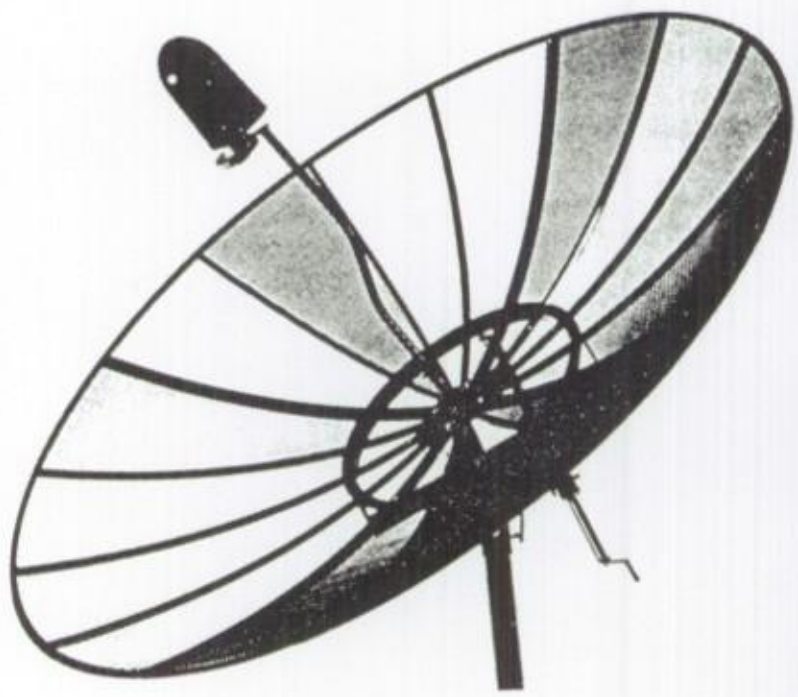

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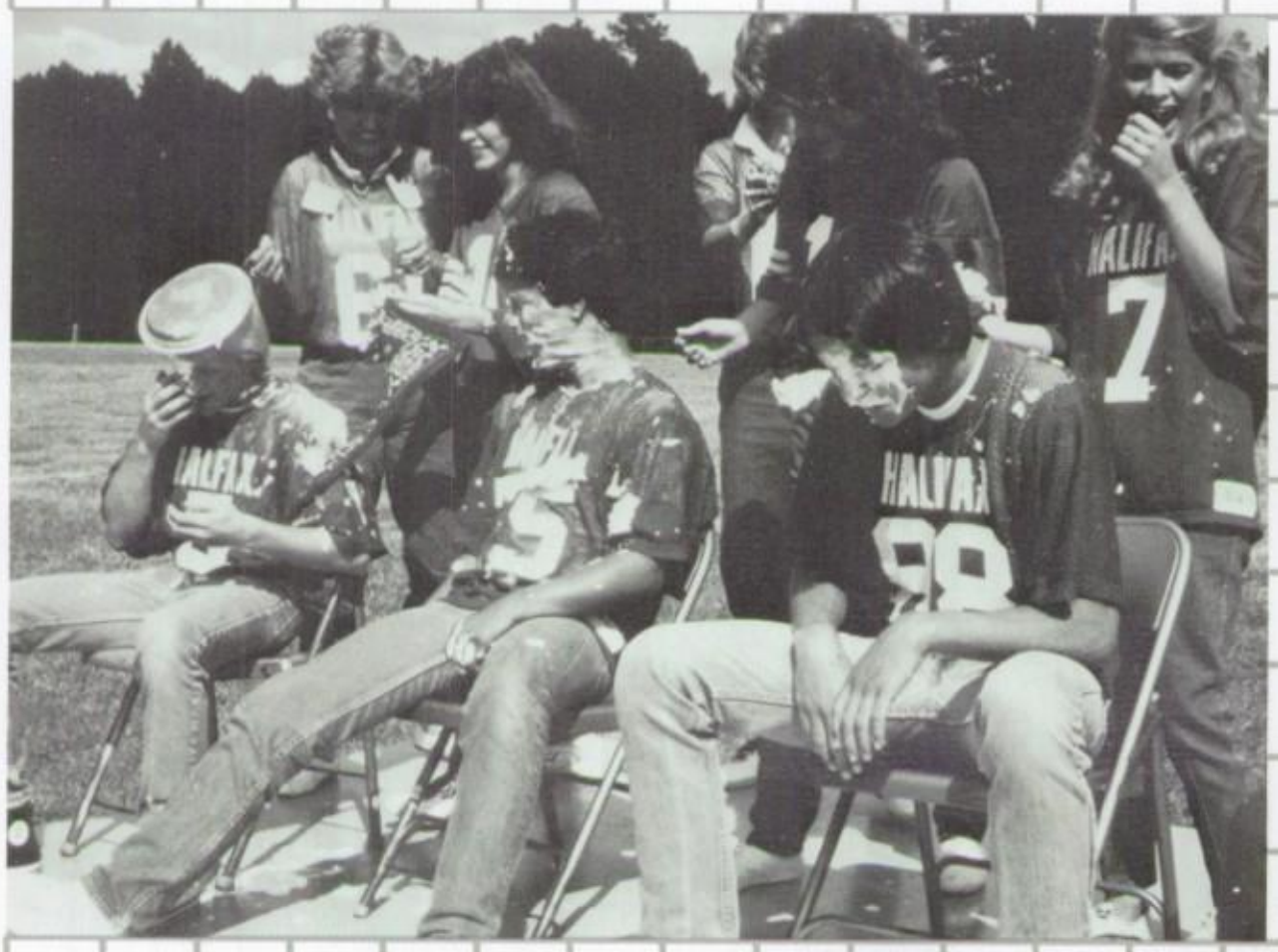
Even with all the new faces and the inevitable changes that accompanied them, some things remained the same. Students experienced a space crunch at times yet found openness in the scenic countryside nearby and in the family atmosphere of caring demonstrated by students and faculty. Advantages and disadvantages — Halifax was a matter of choice. By MAKING THE PIECES FIT, many found it the right choice.



**MOST POPULAR sometimes means trouble. Selected based on money collected, Walt Burgwyn, Albert Etheridge, and Ronnie Keeter were among the football players that students considered most popular. Little did the players know that they would be the object of the cheerleaders at the pep rally prior to the Enfield game.**

**ONE SYMBOL OF NATIONAL MOURNING, the flag stops at half-mast. Scott Ingledue raised the horror of the loss of seven space shuttle astronauts aboard Challenger Shuttle Mission 51-L. The January 28, 1986, catastrophe stunned the nation. To heighten the trauma, the tragedy involved a teacher, the first "ordinary" American to venture into space.**

THE SUNSHINE of a Saturday afternoon football game at Pender ignites the varsity cheerleaders as they enjoyed a Viking romp over the Raiders.

PUSH AND SHOVE describes the change of classes in a somewhat overcrowded hallway. Increased enrollment produced limited space.

FACES IN THE CROWD at an outdoor pep rally in preparation for a football battle with rival Enfield portray the diversity of feeings in a year when it was easier to get lost in the numbers. Valerie Taylor contemplated the sight of pies just placed in the faces of some of the varsity football players.

Mrs. Newell,
Thank you so much
for teaching me piano.
I really appreciate it.
I know you are always
here for me.
Thank you!
Love,
Lee Ann B.

THE MOST OFTEN USED EXIT for students leads in many directions. Charlie Davis portrayed the students who used the passageway to discover the world of knowledge that was inside and outside.

# THE PIECES DID FIT

and the end brought the beginning of new horizons. Growth brought immediate change; however, the necessity of future changes loomed more apparent. Construction of a new classroom building moved into the late planning stages as the school officials prepared for groundbreaking in the spring. A quick glance into the future only confirmed that the pieces will continue to fit.

Paul says
Here all
this year
Paul Luter, That is

Michelle
Wuz
here
5/9/86

Mrs Newell.
I have enjoyed
taking music from
you this year. you
have taught me alot.

Susan
Griffin

Mrs. Newell,
I have really enjoyed
taking music this year.
You are the nicest teacher
I have.

Jennifer
Powell

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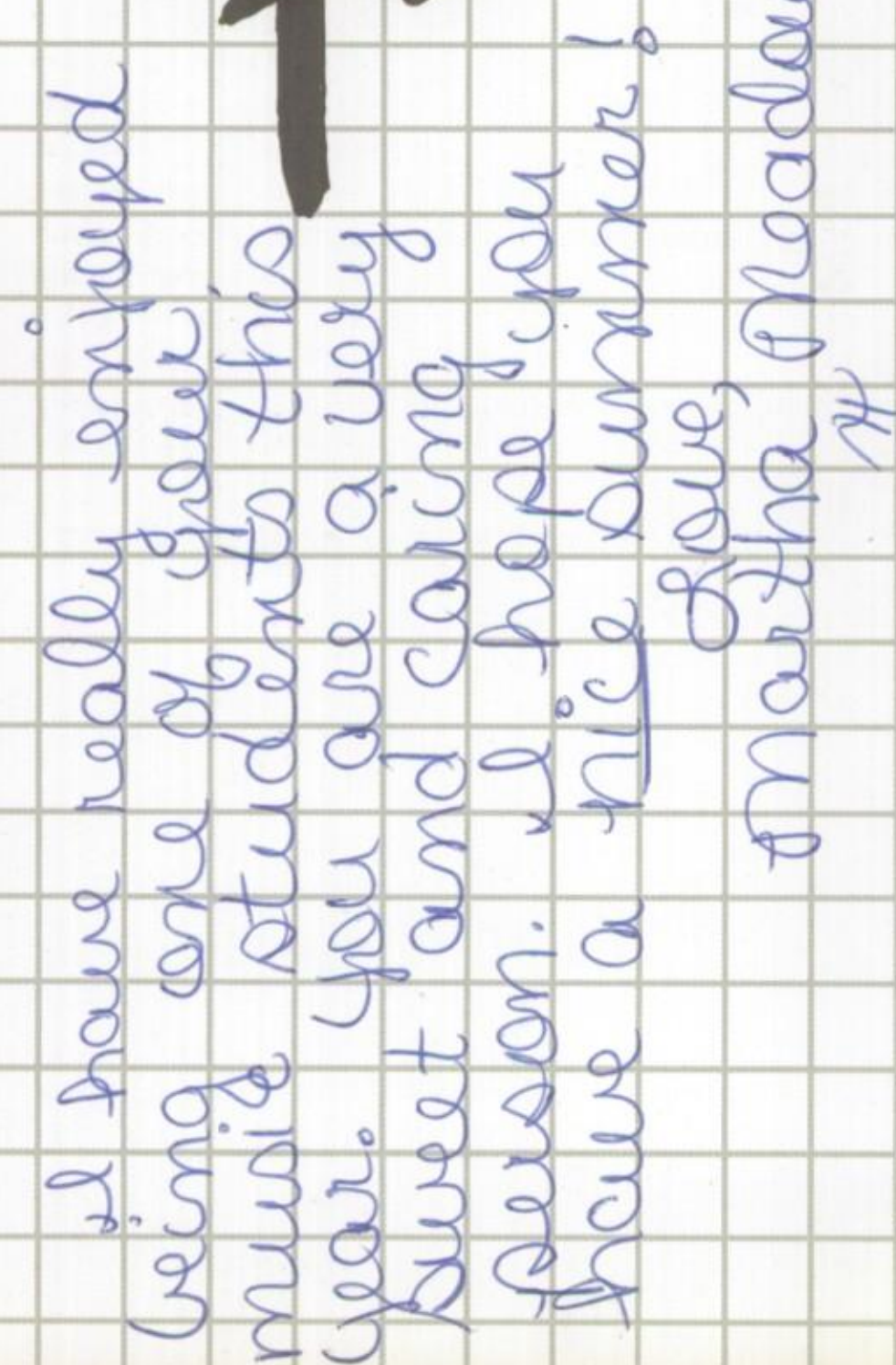


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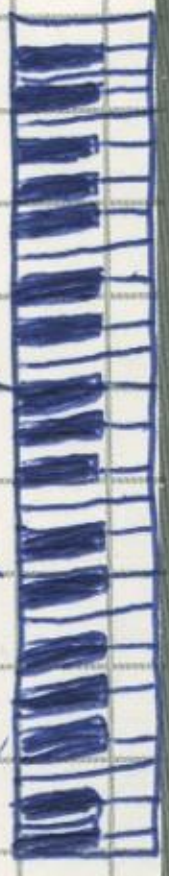
Mrs. Newell,
Well, another year, another recital. If Kara Ann doesn't get rid of that inferiority complex, what are we going to have to do to her?
Well, it's been fun this year (even though I didn't have much time to practice) and I will probably have to put up with me next year, too.
Have a nice summer and maybe I'll see you sometime!!
Love,
Chris Phillips



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